

Informational Overview

CogAT Assessment for second grade students

December 2018

During the month of November, students in second grade were administered the CogAT test of cognitive abilities. This assessment was administered as a rolling administration, meaning that the date and time was dependent upon the building and students' schedule. The range of dates for administration was November 7 – 20.

Grade 2 CogAT student score report and results letter will arrive in the mail approximately December 22nd or after. Student sample report and sample results letters will also be posted on our district gifted services website: <https://www.dublinschools.net/gifted.aspx>

When viewing your child's CogAT test scores, it is important to interpret them as representing a range of ability rather than a precise, specific or unchanging point on a score scale. It is also important to keep in mind that there are many factors that affect a child's school achievement such as effort, attention, persistence, attitude and support at home and school.

Please be aware that the CogAT is a test that measures both general and specific reasoning abilities. Students are assessed in the areas of verbal, quantitative, and nonverbal abilities. **A Composite (VQN) score at or above 128 on this assessment meets the criteria established by the Ohio Department of Education for a superior cognitive gifted identification.** Average scores on this assessment fall between 90 to 110. Above average scores range from 111 to 127. **Students who earn a score of 126-127 will be afforded a cognitive ability retest opportunity later in the school year.** Communication regarding this retest opportunity will be shared after spring break. Another reminder to parents - students may be referred for further cognitive ability testing during the spring and fall of each school year, and all students participate in whole grade group ability testing again in fourth grade.