



Dalewood Elementary School

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Dear parents of prospective Reach Ahead students,

For the past few years, the HWDSB has run a program in which identified Gifted students could take their grade 9 Math during their grade 8 year. This program is called Reach Ahead and it is taught online by a high school teacher in our board. During Math periods at Dalewood, students would log on to their eLearning site via computer and learn the material there. This program would thus replace their grade 8 Math program beginning in February.

We are given a limited number of spots for this program so there is a screening process to see which students in the Board will be able to take the course. On December 11, a Board screening test will be given to all students who are eligible and who want to have this opportunity to Reach Ahead.

In case your child is interested in pursuing this opportunity, we are attaching an older "Readiness Test" for your child to do to help prepare for the Board screening test. We suggest that it be completed in one sitting. If your child is finding it easy, that would be a good indicator that he or she is ready for the Board's test and the course. If this Readiness test is a struggle, it may indicate that Reaching Ahead might not be the best idea at this time.

Please let us know if you have any questions,

Mme Wong and Ms Coburn
LRT team at Dalewood

- I give consent for my child to take the Board screening test and pursue the Reach Ahead program.
- I do not give consent for my child to take the Board screening test and pursue the Reach Ahead program.

Child's name: _____

Class: _____

Parent/Guardian's name: _____

Date: _____