



# Olympia School District

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Olympia School District will be proctoring a cognitive abilities screener to all 3rd and grade students during March 2023. This screener is called the CogAT 7 PreScreenener and is one of many measures we use when considering students for Highly Capable Program services. The purpose of universal screening is to establish a pool of students who may require highly capable services.

The CogAT PreScreenener takes approximately 45 minutes to complete and provides the district with information on verbal, quantitative, and non-verbal abilities. It is one of several data points considered to identify students as highly capable. The screener will be administered in your child's classroom.

If you would like to have your 3rd grade student participate in the screening, there is nothing to do.

If you would like to have your 3rd grade student NOT participate in the screening, please sign and return the waiver of participation below to your child's teacher.

If you have any questions, please email [hcp@osd.wednet.edu](mailto:hcp@osd.wednet.edu).

Thank you,

Jen Flo

Interim Coordinator of Highly Capable Services

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**WAIVER OF PARTICIPATION**

If you prefer that your student NOT participate in the CogAT 7 PreScreenener testing, please sign below.

As the parent/legal guardian of the student named below, I would like my child to be excluded from the CogAT 7 PreScreenener testing.

I understand that my child will not be considered for any possible Highly Capable Program services.

Parent/Guardian name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Student name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Student's teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_