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# Calallen ISD Gifted and Talented Program –

Vista (K – 3)  
(All four core subject areas)



# Vista (K - 3)

- ✦ New Procedures -
  - ✦ Referral Rubric
- ✦ Letter for further testing (sent home Jan. 8)
- ✦ Request to test if did not receive letter (contact counselor)
  - ✦ Counselor will go over rubric with parent and discuss qualifications - determine whether parent still wants child tested
- ✦ Regular Testing Process

# Vista Qualify Rubric - Kindergarten

Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Kindergarten

	4 15-20	3 17-18	2 15-16	1 14 or below
Math Fluency (20 problems)				
Calallen Word List (50 words)	45 or more	40 - 44	35 - 39	34 or less
Guided Reading Level	Far above	E	Car D	A or B
Quarter Math Assessment Scores <div style="display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 20px; height: 20px; margin-right: 5px;"></div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 20px; height: 20px; margin-right: 5px;"></div> <div style="margin: 0 10px;">=</div> <div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; width: 40px; margin: 0 5px;"></div> </div> 1st - 2nd Quarter                      Average	98 or above	96 - 97	94 - 95	93 or below
Teacher Recommendation	Yes	Probably	Maybe	No
Total				

Other information: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Classroom Teacher(s) \_\_\_\_\_

G/T District Coordinator \_\_\_\_\_

**Recommendation for further testing**

<b>Yes</b> 17 or greater	<b>No</b> 16 or less
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## Vista Qualify Rubric - First Grade

Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: First Grade

	4	3	2	1
Language Arts Semester Grade	98 or above	96-97	94-95	93 or below
Reading Semester Grade	98 or above	96-97	94-95	93 or below
Social Studies Semester Grade	E	S	N	U
Science Semester Grade	E	S	N	U
Math Semester Grade	98 or above	96-97	94-95	93 or below
Guided Reading Level	K or above	I or J	G or H	F or below
Teacher Recommendation	Yes	Probably	Maybe	No
Total				

Other information: \_\_\_\_\_

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Classroom Teacher(s) \_\_\_\_\_

G/T District Coordinator \_\_\_\_\_

Recommendation for  
further testing

Yes  
24 or greater

No  
23 or less

## Vista Qualify Rubric - Second Grade

Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: Second

	4	3	2	1
Language Arts Semester Grade	98 or above	96 - 97	94 - 95	93 or below
Reading Semester Grade	98 or above	96 - 97	94 - 95	93 or below
Social Studies Semester Grade	98 or above	96 - 97	94 - 95	93 or below
Science Semester Grade	98 or above	96 - 97	94 - 95	93 or below
Math Semester Grade	98 or above	96 - 97	94 - 95	93 or below
Guided Reading Level	Far above	0	Mar H	Low below
Teacher Recommendation	Yes	Probably	Maybe	No
Total				

Other information: \_\_\_\_\_

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Classroom Teacher(s) \_\_\_\_\_

G/T District Coordinator \_\_\_\_\_

Recommendation for  
further testing

Yes	No
24 or greater	23 or less



# Vista (K - 3)

- ✱ Kindergarten through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade
- ✱ Students served in all four core subject areas  
(math, science, reading/language arts, and social studies)
- ✱ All teachers have 30 hour G/T training required by TEA
- ✱ Kinder students identified and served by March 1  
(March 3<sup>rd</sup> this year) for remainder of Kinder, first, second and third grade
- ✱ If identified in Kindergarten do not have to retest in first grade or second grade
- ✱ 1<sup>st</sup> grade students identified in April and served in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade
- ✱ 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students identified in April and served in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade
- ✱ Every student wanting to stay in G/T will re-test in the spring of their 3<sup>rd</sup> grade year for Horizon and/or Navigation.



# Vista Criteria

- ✦ 1. Pupil Product Portfolio
  - District Created Work Samples
  - Planned Experiences
- ✦ 2. Teacher Observation Inventory (TOI)
- ✦ 3. Naglieri Non-Verbal Ability Test 2 (NNAT 2)
- ✦ 4. NWEA MAP ELAR
- ✦ 5. NWEA MAP Math

Must meet criteria in 4 out of 5 to qualify for Vista





# TOI - Teacher Observation Inventory Vista

- ✦ Given to teachers as a 4-point check-off
- ✦ 4 - Almost Always, 3 - Often, 2 - Some-times, 1 - Rarely
- ✦ Questions include such things as:
  - ✦ Comprehends and retains what he has read or heard without appearing to need much rote or drill.
  - ✦ Shows much knowledge in several areas beyond the usual interest of age peers.
  - ✦ Has an advanced vocabulary for age or grade.
  - ✦ Is curious, investigative, and is a keen and alert observer.
  - ✦ Reasons things out for himself/herself; sees logical and common sense answers.
- ✦ Items are totaled and a overall score is given



# TOI - Teacher Observation Inventory Vista

## VISTA PROGRAM TEACHER OBSERVATION INVENTORY Kindergarten - Third Grade

Student \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Level \_\_\_\_\_

Check the column, which best describes the student.

1 Learns rapidly and easily.

2 Shows much knowledge in several areas beyond the usual interest of age peers.

3 Has an advanced vocabulary for age or grade.

4  
Almost  
Always

3  
Often

2  
Some-  
times

1  
Rarely





# Spring 2016 testing schedule

- ✦ January 5, 2016 Parent GT orientation
- ✦ January 7, 2016 Referral rubrics due
- ✦ January 8, 2016 Referral for testing letters go home
- ✦ January 11, 2016 Parents can contact counselors if did not receive a referral letter
- ✦ January 12, 2016 Permission for testing letters due
- ✦ January 11, 2016 Start portfolios for kindergarten children on collected work samples. Continue for 4 weeks



# Spring 2016 testing schedule, cont.

- ✦ January 11, 2016 TOI's given to teachers
- ✦ January 11, 2016 Begin portfolios of collected work samples for grades 1 and 2. (completed by Feb. 12)
- ✦ Jan. 5 – Feb. 5, 2016 Vista testing – NWEA MAP (Math and RLA)
- ✦ Jan. 19 - 22, 2016 Vista testing – K – 2 NNAT
- ✦ February 26, 2016 Kindergarten notification letters go home
- ✦ March 11, 2016 Last day for appeal
- ✦ March 14 - 18, 2016 Spring Break





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- ✦ Counselor –
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## Question and Answer

Information can be located on the Calallen Website at

[www.calallen.org](http://www.calallen.org)

Main page – Departments – Curriculum and Instruction – Gifted and Talented – Vista testing – Related Documents – Vista Parent Orientation PowerPoint