

# MSD WARREN TOWNSHIP EXCEL PROGRAM

## Elementary

Brookview – Lakeside – Lowell

## Intermediate and Middle School

Creston - Raymond Park - Stonybrook

Warren Central High School

Each of the above schools offer classes for high ability students. Students are selected for the EXCEL classes based upon state and district criteria which may include achievement test scores, student ability, parent recommendation, and teacher recommendation. Students are challenged to grow in the academic and affective areas. Curriculum is appropriately accelerated and differentiated to meet the learning needs of the academically talented student.

### **Excel Criteria and Selection Process- Grades 2-9**

Students are identified and placed in a talent pool based on specific criteria.

- NWEA (Northwest Evaluation Association score 85% and higher in Language Arts, Reading or Math
- CogAT Ability Test- (Grade 2 only)
- Teacher and Parent Recommendation

Note: A screening committee selects students from the ranked talent pool for entrance into the EXCEL Program based on rank order and space availability. Current 4th, 6th and 8th grade students are not guaranteed placement in 5th, 7th and 9th grade. All other students continue in the program, unless an exit conference occurs.

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## Levels of Instruction

### **Elementary & Intermediate Academy Services**

The Elementary and Intermediate Academy Excel Program is a magnet program consisting of self-contained classrooms at three elementary schools and at each Intermediate Academy in grades 2 through 6. Transportation is provided from feeder schools via a shuttle system.

### **Middle School Services**

EXCEL classes are offered at all middle schools to students in grades 7-8 in the following four content areas: English, math, science, and social studies. Students are selected for individual class offerings. This allows more students to participate in the program and develop personal academic strengths. Students in grades 7 and 8 may be invited to participate in the Midwest Academic Talent Search sponsored by Northwestern University.

### **High School Services**

EXCEL classes are offered to qualifying students in grade 9 & 10 in English, math, science, and social studies. Advanced Placement classes and dual credit classes in English, math, science, social studies, fine arts, and world languages are available for students who meet course-specific prerequisites in grades 11 and 12.

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