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February 10, 2025

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Each year, the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) administers the Otis-Lennon School Ability Test, Eighth Edition (OLSAT-8) to all second graders for the purpose of identification as gifted in the High Achievement Ability category. The OLSAT-8 is an online 60-minute multiple choice achievement test that will be administered by the classroom teacher on **March 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025**. (The total time of administration is approximately 82 minutes.)

Parents/guardians who would like their child to participate in the OLSAT-8 do not need to sign or return this letter. However, parents/guardians who would like to opt out of participation must sign and return this letter to the school.

LAUSD Gifted/Talented Programs will host an OLSAT-8 Parent Webinar to share more about the assessment purpose, process, and timeline with families. Parents/guardians are encouraged to attend to learn more about the assessment. Spanish translation will be provided.

| DATE   | TOPIC            | TIME             | INTENDED AUDIENCE                                  |
|--|------------------|------------------|--|
| Thursday, February 13, 2025  | OLSAT-8 Overview | 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. | Parents/guardians of current second-grade students |
| The webinar flyer and Zoom link are posted on the Gifted/Talented Programs website ( <a href="https://www.lausd.org/gate">https://www.lausd.org/gate</a> ) under the Families tab. The webinar will also be recorded and posted on the Gifted/Talented Programs website. |                  |                  |  |

You may also speak to your child's teacher, or contact our GATE coordinator, Michelle Van Der Wel [mrh7525@lausd.net](mailto:mrh7525@lausd.net).

Sincerely,  
 David Price  
 Principal

**Parents who want their child to participate do NOT need to sign or return this letter.**

**Parent/Guardian request for NON-PARTICIPATION**

If you **do not** wish to have your child participate in this assessment, please check/sign below and return this letter to your child's teacher.

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Room # \_\_\_\_\_

No, I do **not** wish my child to participate in the OLSAT-8 assessment.

Parent signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_