



Annual Plans for AG Services for Math and Reading Courses (Grades 6-8)

Differentiation within the classroom and enrollment in advanced courses is the middle school AG service model. Teachers of AG students are required to hold their AIG licensure or, at a minimum, successfully complete the district-provided AG Professional Development courses for classroom teachers. Teachers who hold their AIG licensure or have met the district's minimum requirements have successfully completed coursework or passed a Praxis exam that documents their ability to differentiate learning for gifted and advanced students. For math and language arts, the district has provided minimum expectations for differentiation, which includes the expectation that assessment data is used to guide instructional practices. In addition to these minimum expectations, classroom teachers are required to summarize how they will differentiate the content (what students learn), the process (how students learn), and the product (how students show their understanding) in terms of providing opportunities for acceleration, extension, or enrichment.

Accelerated Mathematics:

The minimum expectation is that in our accelerated math courses, through independent practice, small group collaboration, or whole group discussion, all students will complete the "Are You Ready for More" section found in each lesson of the Open Up Resources unit. Assignment of these problems should not solely be done "in addition to" work assigned; but, when needed assigned as "instead of" practice for students who have already demonstrated mastery of easier tasks. In addition to this minimum course expectation, the ***Group Annual Plan for Differentiation*** includes suggested extensions, for each unit, that can be assigned to AG students demonstrating the need for differentiation beyond the level provided through their enrollment in the accelerated course. The Group Annual Plan for Differentiation are available at: <https://www.gcsnc.com/Page/5588>. On the back of this document, your child's teacher has summarized their personal plans for differentiation within their class.

Advanced English Language Arts (ELA):

Fall 2020, in collaboration with the AG Department the Literacy Department released revised unit pacing guides for all advanced ELA courses. These address how the curriculum resource, American Reading Company (ARC), should be differentiated to provide opportunities for students to increase intertextual analysis; increase writing with social cultural analysis; and increase exposure to complex texts.

Standard Coursework:

Each department of Teaching, Learning, and Professional Development provides standard units that include best practices for differentiation. To meet the needs of AG students enrolled in standard courses, classroom teachers should implement these suggested strategies.

Grade: 6th

Group Annual Plan for Differentiation: Supplemental Document



Below is a summary of specific differentiation that will be provided in the courses listed below.

Math Course: _____ **Teacher:** _____

This plan reflects common grade level practices for math: YES NO

	Acceleration:	Extension:	Enrichment:
Content Differentiation:			
Process Differentiation:			
Product Differentiation:			

ELA Course: VS / Advanced Language Arts **Teacher:** M. chestnut

This plan reflects common grade level practices for ELA: YES NO

	Acceleration:	Extension:	Enrichment:
Content Differentiation:	Challenging lessons that require students to make connections and apply critical thinking skills to their personal reading and more difficult in-class texts	Advanced concepts and vocabulary	Choices in advanced reading materials in selected genres
Process Differentiation:	Formative pretests on subject matter to avoid "re-teaching" concepts students already know	Group size and partner choices Acceleration of concepts	Socratic Seminars Flexible learning through group activities
Product Differentiation:		Choice in research presentations: (research paper, Prezi, Powerpoint, Flipgrid, etc.)	Flexible assessment options: choice menus with creative options that allow students to match their interests to show their learning