

Important Information

Instructor

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Course Grade Levels

K, 1<sup>st</sup>, and 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

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**Course Overview**

Welcome to Northwest Chinese School's Gifted Program Preparation/Exploration Level 1 (K1GP) course! My name is Hanson Dai, and I look forward to a successful school year. This syllabus/guidelines document will outline important information for you to know.

As a gifted level preparatory and accompanying course, we will engage in a variety of advanced core topics relating to reading and writing, mathematics, the sciences, social studies, etc. There will also be supplementary topics such as logic and reasoning. The goal of this course is to enhance the student's abilities regarding the CogAT, ITBS, and Gifted Program Qualification Exams. I will strive to make all students' learning experience meaningful. It is best to come prepared to accept mentally challenging material.

**Learning Recommendations**

1. Is currently in at least kindergarten, 5 years old, has strong academic skills, and plans to take a gifted program qualification exam at their regular school district

**TeacherEase Classroom Database**

TeacherEase.com; I will be piloting this web-site to better use technology in my teaching. Students can login and view assignments, do work, check scores, etc. Parents can stay more involved in their children's education. You may also receive emails from me for good grades, missed work, behavior, etc. The goal is to transform education, improve student performance, and involve parents. Directions on how to log on will be sent out through email.

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NWCS GIFTED PREPARATION/EXLORATION LEVEL 1 CLASS PRACTICES AND GUIDELINES

K1GP Grading Scale

A+ 95.00% - 100.00%

A 90.00% - 94.99%

A- 85.00% - 89.99%

B+ 80.00% - 84.99%

B 75.00% - 79.99%

B- 70.00% - 74.99%

C+ 65.00% - 69.99%

C 60.00% - 64.99%

C- 55.00% - 59.99%

D+ 50.00% - 54.99%

D 45.00% - 49.99%

D- 40.00% - 44.99%

F 0.00% - 39.99%

Classroom Expectations

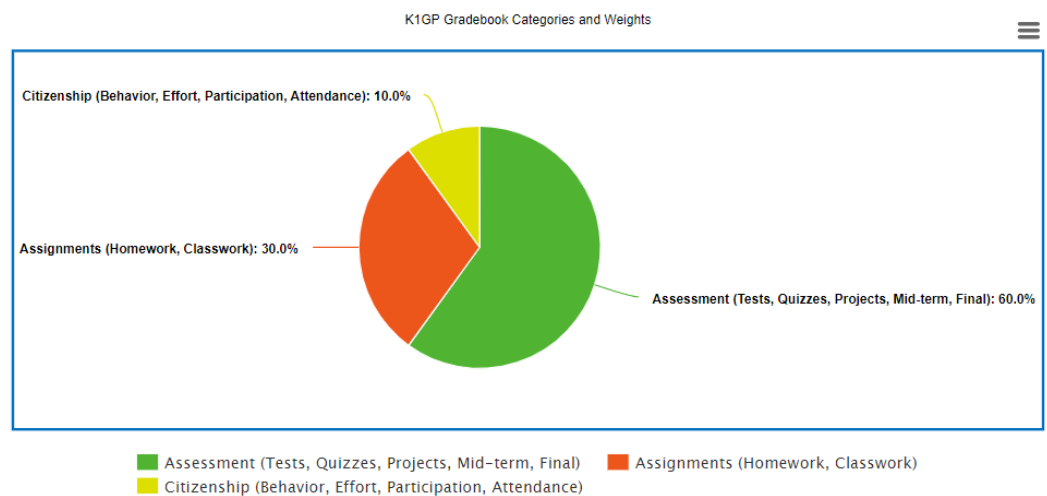
**Main Rules:** Be Prepared, Be Respectful, Be Responsible and Honest, Try Your Best, Ask Questions, Be Creative, Be Unique, Think Abstractly, Be Resilient, Have Fun!

**Class Format:** 5 minutes: Warm-up, 10 minutes: Briefly review the material from the previous week and homework, 10 – 15 minutes: New lecture, 10 - 15 minutes: Practice/quiz, 5 – 10 minutes: Class Activity/Game (*Total Class Time: 50 minutes*)

**Attendance:** Attendance is critical! If you are going to be absent or tardy, inform the instructor ahead of time via the form on the class website or by email. It is also important to review materials online and obtain the missed course material as soon as possible. Always check the class website and TeacherEase for missed work.

**Materials:** It is essential that students come to class prepared each week. All students should bring writing utensils (pencils and pens), paper, and an eraser to every class. If an activity requires additional materials, I will give notice at least one week prior.

Grading Procedures:



Course Topics

**CogAT Form 7/ITBS**

**Analog Clocks**

**Parts of Speech**

**Multiplication**

**2-3 Digit Addition  
and Subtraction**

**2D Geometry**

**Money and Decimals**

**Grammar**

**Reading & Writing**

**Biology/Ecology**

**Homework:** Class periods are devoted to CogAT/gifted test preparation, language arts, math, and the sciences. In accordance, students will take a math placement exam at the beginning of each semester to provide a baseline of their math skills, and individualized homework will be assigned weekly. Math skills will progress and fluctuate based on performance. I provide the curriculum, while parents are expected to provide instruction and aid. Math work is always collected and graded. Other general homework includes worksheets and assigned workbook problems that serve as extension practices of what was taught in class. They will always be collected and graded. Students are expected to write their first and last name on all work that they turn in or else they will receive point deductions. All homework will be posted to the website and included in the weekly emails. Students may be expected to print them out.

Late homework will lose 5% every week with a cap of 20% until the semester ends.

*Academic dishonesty is not tolerated and will result in serious disciplinary action.*

**Parental Communication:** I will send out weekly update emails to all parents, who are expected to read them in their entirety. Parents who are engaged in their student's academics will be the most satisfied with what they get out of this course.

**Class Funds and Prizes:** I will be setting up a reward system for students who consistently participate well and turn in their homework. These rewards will culminate periodically as an opportunity to choose prizes based on behavior throughout the entire year. These prizes and other classroom materials are purchased entirely from the Classroom Fund, which comes from parent donations and corporate matching funds. As the students are young, donating to the fund would directly enhance their classroom experience. Without sufficient funding, student learning cannot be as rewarding and beneficial. As the cost per student is typically \$40-50 per semester, please give generously to the Classroom Fund. Thank you in advance for understanding.

**Food and Drink Policy:** Food is never allowed in the classroom, unless otherwise specified by the instructor. Drinks are allowed in the classroom if they are in a container with a re-sealable lid. Please inform the instructor about any allergies.

**PLEASE NOTE**

The course schedule to the right is general, and is subject to change based on various factors such as school schedule, overall class and individual student performance, etc.

The semester 2 (spring) course schedule will be released near the end of the fall semester

The fall semester is focused primarily on preparation for the Gifted Program Qualification Exams, while the spring semester is aimed towards English, math, and science enrichment

**K1GP Semester 1 (Fall) Tentative Course Schedule**

Week #	Fall Semester Topics/Subjects
Week 1	Introduction, Placement Test, Icebreakers, Syllabus
Week 2	Introduction to CogAT, Analogies, Alphabetical Order
Week 3	Clocks and Telling Time
Week 4	Parts of Speech (Nouns and Adjectives)
Week 5	Multiplication
Week 6	Symmetry and Parts of Speech (Verbs, Action Verbs)
Week 7	Mid-Term Exam Review
Week 8	MID-TERM EXAM
Week 9	2-Digit Addition and Subtraction
Week 10	3-Digit Addition
Week 11	3-Digit Subtraction
Week 12	Geometric Shapes and Tessellations
Week 13	U.S. Currency Money and Introduction to Decimals Using Money
Week 14	Final Exam Review and Sales & Marketing Project Overview
Week 15	FINAL EXAM
Week 16	Sales and Marketing Project - K1GP and 2GP Market Simulation

**Mr. Hanson's NWCS K1GP Syllabus and Course Guidelines Attestation and Agreement**

My child and I attest that we have thoroughly read in full the K1GP Syllabus and Course Guidelines and agree to adhere to the rules and guidelines outlined therein. I completely understand and am aware that a failure to do so may result in my child's removal from the K1GP program. I also realize that in the event of my child's removal, I will not be eligible for a tuition refund or any other form of compensation. In agreement, I hereby provide my signature below.

Student's Name:

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Student's Signature:

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Parent's Name(s):

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Parent's Signature(s):

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Date:

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Please fill out the next page as well and then turn in both this page and the next page to Mr. Hanson

**Mr. Hanson's NWCS KIGP Parent Donation to Classroom Funds Form**

I would like to request for parent donations for our classroom fund. Student supplies and prizes are purchased directly from our classroom funds. Without sufficient classroom funds, student learning cannot be as rewarding and beneficial. As the cost per student is typically \$40-\$50 per semester, please give generously to the classroom fund. You can donate via cash, check, or corporate matching funds. Thank you very much for your kind donations in advance!

**Please fill out all the information below, then return this form to Mr. Hanson along with page 5**

Parent/Guardian's Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

1. Please Check One:

\_\_\_\_\_ YES, I would like to donate to the NWCS Gifted Program Prep – for 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Classroom Funds.

\_\_\_\_\_ NO, I would not like to donate to the NWCS Gifted Program Prep – for 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Classroom Funds.

*If you checked "NO", please disregard the rest of this form. Thank you for your time!*

2. If you checked "YES" for the above question, please specify the amount you would like to donate to our class below:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ USD - Thank you very much for your generous donation!

3. Please select and check your method of donation below:

\_\_\_\_\_ Cash    \_\_\_\_\_ Check    \_\_\_\_\_ Corporate Matching Funds

4. Please provide your signatures below:

Parent #1 \_\_\_\_\_ Parent #2 \_\_\_\_\_

If you selected "Cash" or "Check" as your donation method, please include it with this form inside an envelope. If you selected "Corporate Matching Funds", please inform Mr. Hanson and then turn this form to the NWCS Admin.