

**Parent Information Meetings for the  
Annual HORIZONS Spring Screening  
Process - Grades K-11  
2009-2010**

It is time to prepare for the annual HORIZONS spring screening process. Each year the Cypress-Fairbanks ISD screens for students who may have gifts and talents that can be met through the HORIZONS program. The process begins for grades K-11 when parents refer their children during the **October- November referral period**.

In order to help parents understand the referral and screening process, the coordinator for the HORIZONS program invites you to attend a meeting to hear an explanation of the screening and identification process. Topics at the meeting will include the following:

- \* Referral Process
- \* Tests Used in the Screening Process
- \* Student Identification Matrix
- \* Appeals Process

Because of the growing population in our school district, the coordinator will present four sessions with different locations and dates. Each session will contain the same information. Please plan to attend the session that is most convenient for you.

All four meetings will be held from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the school cafeterias.

- Session 1: September 15, 2009 – Berry Center  
8877 Barker Cypress, Cypress, TX 77429
- \*Session 2: September 22, 2009 - Gleason Elem.  
9203 Willowbridge Blvd., Houston, TX 77064
- Session 3: October 6, 2009 - Sampson Elem.  
16002 Coles Crossing Drive, Cypress, TX 77429
- \*Session 4: October 13, 2009 - Lieder Elem.  
17003 Kieth Harrow Blvd., Houston, TX 77084

\*We will offer both English and Spanish presentations for Session 2 and Session 4. Please notify your school counselor if you would like to attend a session presented in Spanish.

Please refer to the HORIZONS website at <http://www.cfisd.net/dept2/curricu/gifted/gifted.htm> for additional information. A Power Point presentation is available to parents entitled, "Should I Refer My Child for the HORIZONS Program?"

**The referral period for grades K-11 lasts from October 1, 2009 – November 30, 2009.**

The screening for the referred students from grades K-11 plus the second grade students who will continue screening, will take place during the spring semester from **January 11 to the end of February, 2010.**