Rapid Learner Program

The Rapid Learner Program begins in the second grade and ends in the fifth grade. Each class is self-contained and accelerated.

Priority placement is given to students who are accelerated, live within the SJUSD boundaries and/or are currently attending a SJUSD school.

SJUSD student scores for the Rapid Learner Program will be centrally calculated. For the Rapid Learner Criteria, please see the San Juan Accelerated Schools Website at www.sanjuan.edu/rapidlearner or call 979-8049.

For more information contact the following schools:

Del Paso Manor Elementary School
2700 Maryal Dr.
Sacramento, California 95821
(916) 575-2330
www.sanjuan.edu/delpaso

Deterding Elementary School
6000 Stanley Ave.
Carmichael, California 95608
(916) 575-2338
www.sanjuan.edu/deterding

Pershing Elementary School
9010 Pershing Ave.
Orangevale, California 95662
(916) 867-2076
www.sanjuan.edu/pershing

Attributes of Gifted Children

- Think logically, reason, generalize, form deductions
- Easily grasp large concepts and conceptual systems
- Can deal with abstractions
- Learn in short time periods
- Concentrate easily for long periods of time and are persistent
- Require less detailed direction and instruction
- See relationships
- Perceive patterns
- Are highly curious, inquisitive, ask “Why?”
- Have command of a large vocabulary
- Normal or advanced physical development
- Have an evolved sense of what’s fair and are keenly interested in the decision-making process
- High energy, alertness, eagerness
- Creative and inventive
- Sense of humor
- Leadership skills
- Sensitive to feelings and expectations of self and others

The object of education is to prepare the young to educate themselves throughout their lives.
~ Robert Maynard Hutchins

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Del Paso Manor Elementary
The unique nature of Del Paso Manor’s Rapid Learner Program enables students to become lifelong learners through high quality learning experiences. All students’ abilities and talents are recognized and encouraged so that each student has the opportunity to reach his or her maximum potential. Our program features an advanced curriculum rich in complexity, depth and creativity and also fosters sensitivity and responsibility.

Deterding Elementary
Mary A. Deterding Elementary Rapid Learner Program meets the advanced learning needs of students while stimulating their intellectual curiosity and artistic abilities. With inquiry-based instruction, students master accelerated skills, then apply their knowledge using critical and creative thinking. Our academic curriculum is interwoven with a strong tradition of excellence in visual and performing arts. Encouraging new experiences and the sharing of ideas, we are committed to developing each student’s full potential.

Pershing Elementary
The Pershing Rapid Learner Program offers students an articulated four year program of instruction that is both accelerated and enriching. Teachers work together and communicate regularly to select specialized instructional materials and activities. Curriculum is designed to challenge all students to reach their full potential. Fine arts productions and oral presentations are woven into the curriculum to develop confident, 21st century students. Organizational skills, time management and independence are all integral to the program.

Program Highlights
- Technology integrated curriculum with an emphasis on 21st century skills
- Ratio of 2 technology devices per 3 students
- In-class Spanish instruction
- Hands-on activities and real life simulations
- Dramatic and musical productions
- Field trips to extend knowledge including overnight trips in all grades
- Community nights
- Gatepost parent organization supports field trips, special programs and the technology plan

Program Highlights
- Visual arts studio and award-winning vocal/instrumental music program
- Integrated & accelerated curriculum that includes Socratic seminar, project based learning and environmental experiences
- Dance instruction during the day through 3rd grade, after school for 4th through 6th
- Intramural sports program for 5th and 6th grades
- Exploration in Algebra with UC Davis Math Teacher
- PERLE parent organization
- Variety of offerings after school including: Chinese language, chess, technology and science
- OLWEUS Anti Bullying Program and leadership opportunities

Program Highlights
- Integrated, challenged and enriched curriculum
- Theatrical productions – dramatic and musical
- Extensive curriculum-based field trips
- Math competitions
- Hands on activities and simulations
- Novel based reading program
- Technology integrated curriculum with an emphasis on 21st century learning