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| School’s Gifted & Talented Website | <http://frhs.psdschools.org/academics/programs/gifted-talented> |
| # of students in GT Program | 457 |
| Overview of Gifted Program | The gifted program at Fossil Ridge High School focuses on academic rigor with social and emotional support. FRHS has 457 students enrolled that have been identified in one or more content areas as Gifted and Talented. Students may choose to participate in enrichment opportunities offered that focus on social/emotional support and exploring areas of interests. Our large comprehensive high school offers many academic classes and extracurricular activities in all areas of gifted identification. Students can choose to take concurrent enrollment classes to earn college credits and students have the opportunity to earn an AP endorsed diploma. Students interested in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math may choose to participate in a branch (Clean Energy, Engineering, Biotechnology, and Computer Science) of Fossil’s STEM Academy. The academy will involve consultation and direct involvement from the business, academic, and political community. This involvement could be in areas including but not limited to; staff development, curriculum articulation and support, field trips, internships, mentorship, external validation, and guest lectures. |
| Gifted & Talented Site Coordinator | Carolyn Fries & Melissa Vasa |
| Structure (Grouping of Gifted Learners) | Students are grouped with intellectual peers based on their course selection and activity participation. GT students have the opportunity to take part in various enrichment activities during the year. |
| Enrichment Opportunities for gifted learners during school | Fossil Ridge offers AP classes, counselor support as needed, and a variety of other enrichment opportunities that vary according to courses. Our curriculum guide can be viewed here: <http://frhscurriculumguide.org/> |
| Enrichment Opportunities for gifted learners after school | Fossil Ridge has a wide-ranging list of student organizations in all areas of gifted identification. Please access the list on our website: <https://frh.psdschools.org/activities> |
| Affective programming | Fossil Ridge has an anxiety group, as well as yearly groups determined by student needs. We also offer access to our Wellness Center and offer a Peer Support program. |
| Content Extensions | Fossil offers many opportunities for gifted learners to pursue content through their course selections including: on-campus concurrent enrollment courses (our courses that offer college credits); off-campus concurrent enrollment courses; 21 Advanced Placement (AP) courses; S.T.E.M. Academy courses related to science, technology, engineering. |
| Differentiation for gifted in the regular classroom | All Fossil teachers us differentiation in their classrooms and offer choices in meeting requirements for products/assignments. |
| Acceleration Opportunities | Students can accelerate through doubling-up on content classes and through earning college credits through our many concurrent enrollment and AP programs. |
| **Grade Specific Services** | |
| Annual ALP updates and grade specific meetings with counselors, including course advisement from their counselor | |
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