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Please be aware that the district **does not advance** students to an upcoming grade level or classes in an upcoming grade level during Summer School. Grade level or class advancement is done only during the regular school year under the guidance and practices of the <u>Advanced Learner Program (ALP)</u>.

Placing a child in an advanced class or grade level involves a process that looks at the child's talents and gifts along with the program and grade level that the child will be participating in. This process has been established to address the long term (school year) needs of the student. Summer School is approximately 20 days long, a short term program, and does not warrant a change of placement or programming for a student.

We realize that some of the programs at different levels may be appealing to students, but we also want to ensure the students at the level where the programs are offered have the opportunity to participate. A change in placement has immediate and long term implications and is not available during Summer School.

If parents/guardians feel that their child needs to be considered for the <u>Advanced Learner Program</u> during the school year, they should review the information related to <u>identification</u> and contact the specialist at their child's school.