

Advanced Learning for Grades 6-12



Highly Capable and Advanced Learning Services



Welcome!

Who are Advanced Learners?



▶ Highly Capable

- ▶ Students who perform or show potential for performing at significantly advanced academic levels when compared with others of their age, experiences, or environments.

▶ Twice exceptional

- ▶ Students who are both gifted and disabled are considered twice-exceptional learners.

▶ Advanced Learner

- ▶ Students who demonstrate high academic achievement, but who do not meet the definition of Highly Capable.



What to do if you believe your child requires advanced instruction?

Talk with teacher:

Is your child experiencing success?

Does your child experience a sense of belonging at school?

What does your teacher need to know to inform the learning experience?

Discuss how your child is performing at school and if his/her teacher recommends any additional support.

Read about the Advanced Learning Services available at Seattle Public Schools and characteristics of Advanced Learners

If you believe your child would benefit from the opportunities available, refer your child for Advanced Learning assessments

Special Populations



Twice Exceptional Learners

- ▶ In the field of gifted education, students who are both gifted and disabled are considered twice-exceptional learners.
- ▶ We have over 500 students who are eligible for Highly Capable Services AND Special Education Services and through 504 accommodations. This group makes up roughly 11% of students who receive dual services.

English Language Learners

- ▶ Seattle Public Schools has students receiving ELL services who contribute 108 languages to the total of 143 spoken by families.
- ▶ A characteristic of multi-lingual students, who are also gifted, is faster than typical language acquisition.

Advanced Learning in the Secondary Years

Middle School (Grades 6-8)

- ▶ Advanced Learning services and opportunities (HC and AL) are offered at all Seattle Public Schools elementary, K-8, middle and high schools based on each school's Continuous School Improvement Plan(CSIP).
- ▶ Students entering 6th grade from any K-5 SPS school are assigned to their neighborhood middle school.
- ▶ Elementary HC Pathway school to HC Pathway Middle School
- ▶ Students eligible for HC services not enrolled in an Elementary HC Pathway school must apply to attend the closest HC pathway MS during Open Enrollment
- ▶ Please contact your middle school counselor to learn more about the advanced level courses available to students with HC and AL designation.



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Advanced Learning in the Secondary Years

High School (Grades 9-12)



- ▶ K-8 Cohort model is not continued at the high school level
- ▶ HC Pathway High Schools: Garfield, Lincoln, W. Seattle
- ▶ All Honors, Advanced Placement, IB & dual credit courses are open to all students regardless of HC or AL eligibility.
- ▶ Students wishing to enroll in the Accelerated International Baccalaureate (IBX) program at Ingraham High School are required to be qualified for HC services.
- ▶ Handout - Frequently Asked Questions



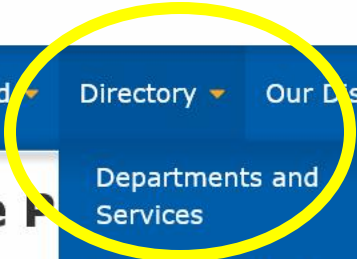
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Family Resources

Find resources you need to support your student's success.



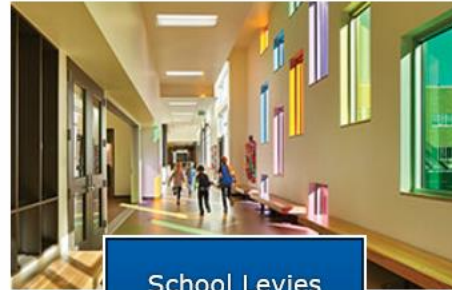
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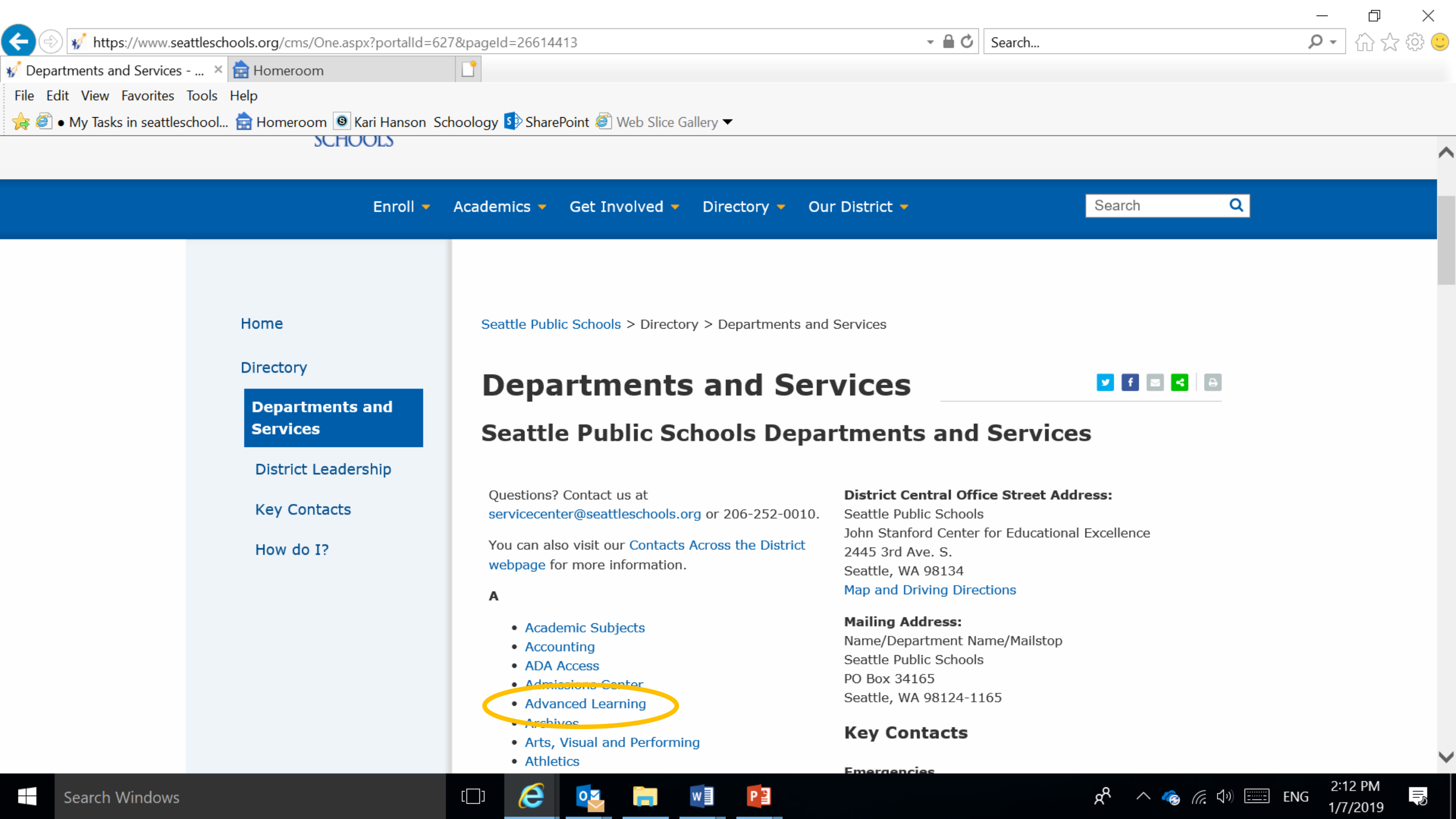
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School Levies

In February 2019, Seattle voters will be asked to renew two levies to help fund Seattle Public Schools.





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Advanced Learning



Highly Capable and Advanced Learning Services

All schools within Seattle Public Schools are committed to providing quality instruction designed to meet the academic, social, emotional and behavioral needs of each and every student. For students whose abilities, talents and potential for accomplishment are so advanced they require special provisions to meet their educational needs, each school develops a plan for advanced teaching and learning as part of the annual [school Continuous School Improvement Plan \(CSIP\)](#) process.

Services designed to meet the needs of Advanced Learners

Highly Capable (HC) Services/Opportunities for eligible students in grades K-12 provide differentiated practices unique to each building. Differentiated practices include but are not limited to modification of outcomes, adjusted pacing, problem-based learning, project learning, and flexible/fluid grouping of students for one or more subjects, and enhanced curricula. Services for students determined as eligible for Highly Capable (HC) are provided in neighborhood schools as well as in regional Highly Capable Pathway Schools (also known as Highly Capable Cohorts, HCC Schools). [Read more about Highly Capable Services.](#)



Contact Advanced Learning

**Have a question?
CONTACT US HERE.**

[Additional department contacts](#)

Resources for staff

[MySPS MTSS webpage](#) (requires login)

Related Links

[Advanced Learning Task Force](#)

Key Dates

Questions

- ▶ Who are Advanced Learners?
- ▶ What To Do if you Believe Your Child Requires Advanced Instruction

Additional Questions?

Contact us on our website. We are available to respond to your additional questions!



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