



Student-Centered Experience

Develop/sustain a culture of belonging, safety and positive student-staff relationships

Highly Capable Instruction Promotes Access and Engagement for Students

VPS opened two new Intensive Highly Capable Classrooms at Truman Elementary this school year. Students who were identified for the multi-age program performed at the 97th percentile on ability measures.

Home to third, fourth, and fifth graders, these classrooms promote acceleration through project-based learning, integration of subjects, and novel studies.

Parents and students report the success of the new Intensive HiCap Classrooms at Truman.

- *I like how I always get work that is right for me, and I'm able to get it done. It's always a little harder, and I like that because that's how we learn.*
- *My favorite thing about IHS is that we get challenged, but all the challenges are the right challenges for our level.*

Significant Strides in Identification Process

In 2023-24, VPS provided Universal Screening for all 2nd (spring) and 5th graders (fall), using the Naglieri Ability Assessment. These assessment results, compared at both national and local levels, were used as a primary source to identify students as highly capable.

Previous years focused solely on using iReady achievement data to identify students as highly capable.

After this fall's screening, VPS identified 71 fifth graders as highly capable by using the Naglieri Ability Assessment. See how we've grown identification over the past 4 years:

