



Fee Based OLSAT GATE Test

Capistrano Unified School District (CUSD) is offering CUSD and private school parents an opportunity to have their 3rd-7th grade children take the Fee Based Otis-Lennon School Abilities Test (OLSAT). The OLSAT tests both verbal and nonverbal reasoning and is used by CUSD to identify students for the Gifted and Talented Education (GATE) Program. CUSD students who meet the CUSD GATE testing criteria will be invited to take the Criteria Based OLSAT in January 2012 at Niguel Hills Middle School at no charge. Invitations to take the Criteria Based OLSAT will be mailed home the first week of December 2011. For information regarding the CUSD GATE testing criteria, please refer to the CUSD GATE website at <http://gate.schoolloop.com>. Parents who do not receive an invitation for their child to take the Criteria Based OLSAT may nominate their child to take the Fee Based OLSAT.

**The Fee Based OLSAT test will be offered on Saturday, February 11, 2012
at Niguel Hills Middle School at the following times:**

- ❖ **1st Session:** For last names beginning with the letter A-K (Grades 3-7), Check-in time: 8:15 am, Pick-up time: 9:30 am
- ❖ **2nd Session:** For last names beginning with the letter L-Z (Grades 3-7), Check-in time: 10:15 am, Pick-up time: 11:30 am

Driving Directions: to Niguel Hills Middle School, 29070 Paseo Escuela, Laguna Niguel: Take I-5 to Crown Valley. WEST on Crown Valley. LEFT on GOLDEN LANTERN. LEFT on PASEO ESCUELA. The school is at the end of the street. **Parking Directions:** Park in the parking lot in front of the school. If the parking lot is full, you may park in the surrounding neighborhood or on the basketball/volleyball courts in back of the school by driving down the asphalt lane between the administration building and portable classrooms. **Room Assignment:** A map of the campus with your child's classroom number will be given to you as you arrive on campus.

Cost: \$100 Registration Fee (One check per student.) Due to the cost of test administration and supplies, THIS FEE IS NON-REFUNDABLE. If you would like a written confirmation of your registration, see below.

Testing Information: Since the OLSAT is an abilities test and not an achievement test, there are no workbooks or study guides to prepare for the test. Pencils and scratch paper will be provided, but students are welcome to bring their own #2 pencil (wood or mechanical) if they wish. No calculators may be used for this test. **The OLSAT is a timed test, and students should attempt to complete all of the problems and get as many correct as they can.** If students get stuck on a problem, they should skip the problem and go on to the next one. If students finish the test before the testing time is over, they may go back to work on any problems skipped or go over the ones they have completed.

Make-Up Fee Based OLSAT Test: A Make-Up OLSAT Test will be offered to students who missed or could not attend the February 11th Fee Based OLSAT during their designated time slot. The make-up test will be held on Saturday, March 3, 2012 at Niguel Hills Middle School, and an additional \$50 will be charged for this test. Please download the Make-Up OLSAT Test Registration Form from the GATE website and mail it to the CUSD GATE office.

Please Note:

- Only 3rd -7th grade students residing in the CUSD District boundaries are eligible to take the Fee Based OLSAT.
- Students who have taken the Criteria Based OLSAT or NNAT in 2012 are not eligible to take the Fee Based OLSAT in February 2012.
- Test results will be mailed to parents approximately nine weeks after the test is administered. **Students who score at or above the 95th percentile on the OLSAT qualify for the GATE program in the fall.**

Registration Form for the Fee Based OLSAT on Saturday, February 11, 2012

After completing the registration form, please mail this lower portion, along with your non-refundable registration fee, to the address below.

Please Check One Box Below:

- Early Registration:** A \$100 check, payable to *Capistrano Unified School District or CUSD*, is included (Postmarked or hand delivered by 1/11/2012)
- Late Registration:** A \$150 check, payable to *Capistrano Unified School District or CUSD*, is included (Postmarked or hand delivered between 1/12/12 and 2/3/12)

Student's Name: _____ CUSD Student 7-Digit ID # *: _____

Current School: _____ **Current** Grade (3-7): _____

Home Address: _____ City/Zip Code: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Check One: Female or Male Phone #: _____

Parent's Name: _____

* The 7-Digit Student ID Number can be obtained from your school's secretary (for CUSD enrolled students). Private school students will not have a CUSD ID number and should leave the line blank. **NO ON-SITE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

- **Written Confirmation:** If you require registration confirmation, please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Otherwise, no confirmation will be sent. Due to heavy volume, registration cannot be confirmed by phone.
- **Registration Deadline:** Checks and registration forms must be hand delivered or mailed/postmarked to CUSD, Attention: GATE Office, 33122 Valle Road, San Juan Capistrano CA 92675 by **Jan. 11, 2012**. **A \$50 late fee will be charged for all applications arriving after this date.**