Green’s Academic Magnet emphasis provides innovative teaching strategies, attention to learning styles and student access to all curricular content areas. We pride ourselves in being able to meet the individual needs of students through our philosophy of differentiated instruction.

_We believe that differentiated instruction is a strategic approach designed to meet the needs of every student so that they can reach their full potential._

One way to differentiate instruction is through Socratic Seminar, also known as Talking Circles, which allow young children the opportunity to talk about a variety of texts. Students begin to ask abstract questions and make many connections to their own lives that they excitedly share with peers.

Another way is through Tiering lessons. Tiering lessons are taught with the same objective or skill in mind, but the outcome is very differentiated to appropriate challenge levels.

Compacting Curriculum by eliminating or accelerating curriculum allows for children to learn at a pace commensurate with their abilities.

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**Multiple Intelligences**

Incorporation of Multiple Intelligences differentiates instruction by allowing children to work using their areas of strength. As young children enter the school system, allowing them to explore, develop, and identify their natural learning styles are an excellent way to nurture potential.

**Multiple Intelligences**

Linguistic – Word Smart  
Logical-mathematical – Number Smart  
Bodily-kinesthetic – Body Smart  
Spatial – Picture Smart  
Musical – Music Smart  
Interpersonal – People Smart  
Intrapersonal – Self Smart  
Naturalist – Nature Smart

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**Green’s Gifted Philosophy**

Nurturing Scholars offers all children kindergarten through fifth grade exposure to multiple strategies designed to foster critical, complex, and creative thinking.

The program is designed to nurture and motivate young learners as they venture into new ways of thinking about a topic as well as to challenge them with learning that is slightly above their level. All children, regardless of primary language, ability level, or learning challenges will benefit from the Nurturing Scholars Program here at Green Elementary School.
**Complexity Icons**

Teachers integrate the icons for complexity in all curricular areas depending on the particular grade level. These icon/symbols are designed to help students think in complex and abstract ways.

**Depth Icons**

Teachers also integrate the icons for depth in all curricular areas. These icon/symbols are designed to help students think in complex and abstract ways.

- Ethics
- Patterns
- Unanswered Questions
- Big Idea
- Details
- Trends
- Rules
- Language of the Discipline

**Math Icons**

- Expression
- Extensions
- Strategies
- Balance
- Applications

**Across The Disciplines**

**Change Over Time**

**Multiple Perspectives**