

Grade 4 Merit Selection Process - 2010

March, 2010	Candidate pool selected based on October, 2009 InView test results
March 29-30	Letters to parents of candidates in pool – No teacher or parent referrals unless enrolled after October 14, 2009.
April 6 – 24	Building level screening of candidates using GATES reading test
	April 6 Watson April 7 Protsman April 8 Peifer
	April 13 Bibich April 14 Homan April 15 Kolling
	April 24 Non-public and absent students from earlier dates
April/May	Administer part 2 of ISTEP+; GATES scores received
May/June	ISTEP+ part 1 and 2 scores received
June/July	Selection of candidates; notification of parents by letter
	Notification letters to parents of candidates not selected; letter to include selection criteria scores, student scores, appeal process information
August	Back to school meeting in buildings with merit teachers

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Group 1:
- A) CSI of I+ standard deviation (116 or higher); AND
 - B) Total ISTEP+ of English/Language Arts and Math; AND/OR
 - C) GATES score in the top quartile
- Group 2:
- A) CSI of .5+ standard deviation (108-115 or higher); AND
 - B) Total ISTEP+ of English/Language Arts and Math; AND/OR
 - C) GATES score in the top quartile