



# SPRINGWOOD SCHOOL

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### Seven Springwood 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Students Qualify for Duke TIP

Seven Springwood seventh grade students have qualified to participate in the Duke University Talent Identification Program's Talent Search for 2016-17. Duke TIP is a nonprofit organization dedicated to serving academically talented students. Duke TIP works with students, families, and educators to identify, recognize, challenge, engage, and support gifted youth in reaching their highest potential.

The 7th Grade Talent Search identifies bright seventh graders across the United States who have scored at the 95th percentile or above on a grade-level achievement tests. Candidates are invited to take the ACT or the SAT college entrance exams as seventh graders, which allows them greater insight into their academic abilities.

An executive from Duke TIP stated "students qualifying for Duke TIP are extraordinary young people, and each has the potential for greatness. But each student needs adequate opportunities and guidance to reach that potential. Through the 7th Grade Talent Search, Duke TIP provides vital resources to the families of gifted children so they can thrive in our educational system and beyond."

Due to the excellent performance of these seven Springwood students on the Terra Nova standardized test they took this past spring, they have qualified to participate in the highly selective 20-2017 Duke University Talent Identification Program (Duke TIP) 7th Grade Talent Search. Front: (l-r) Kaitlynn Easlick, Bailey Morrison, Jesilyn Mabrey, Hannah Yeager. Back: Cooper Champion, Benjamin Hull, and Brady Spradlin.

