

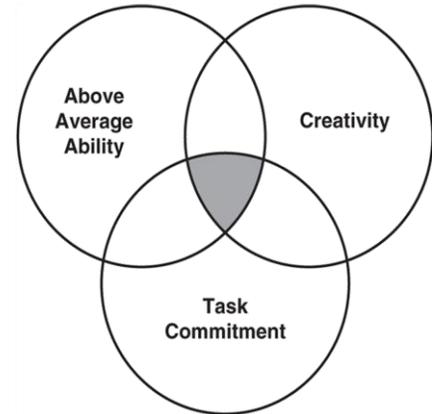


Pasco School District's Project Spectrum Services

Self-Contained Classrooms for Highly Capable Students
Grades 2-5 | Livingston and Frost Elementary Schools

What is Spectrum?

Spectrum is a rigorous academic program for students who have been identified across the district qualifying for highly capable services in a self-contained classroom. Students who demonstrate exceptional ability when compared to their peers, exceed grade level standards in math and literacy, and demonstrate creativity and strong motivation to excel are often good candidates for the Spectrum program. Students attend the Spectrum program full-time in grades two through five. Pasco School District has an English Spectrum program and Bilingual Spectrum program.



What is curriculum compacting?

The Spectrum staff modifies, or *streamlines*, the regular curriculum to eliminate repetition of previously mastered material, upgrades the challenge level of the curriculum, and provides time for appropriate enrichment and/or acceleration activities while ensuring mastery of basic skills. The students are often taught using above grade level materials in literacy and math integrated with science and social studies content.

Why do Spectrum teachers compact the curriculum?

- To create a challenging learning environment within the context of the regular curriculum
- To reinforce proficiency in grade level standards, but progress at an accelerated pace allowing for exposure to above grade level standards
- To increase time for enrichment, acceleration and increase rigor
- To allow time for enhanced projects in science and social studies, conducting of research on topics of interest, and involvement with community projects

Where do Spectrum students go to school?

English Spectrum Program
Ruth Livingston Elementary,
2515 Road 84, Pasco
(509) 546-2688

Bilingual Spectrum Program
Robert Frost Elementary,
1915 N 22nd Ave, Pasco
(509) 543-6795

**If your family lives outside the Livingston or Frost boundaries, transportation is provided via a bus stop near your home or via shuttle bus from your neighborhood school if you live within the one-mile walking area.*

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