

Talent Point in Action: Gyula Benka Lutheran English Bilingual Elementary School and Kindergarten

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Our school is in Hungary, Békés county, Szarvas, on the shore of backwater of Hármas-Körös.

Population of the city are 17000. In this administrative area you can find the geographical middle of the historical Hungary. It is signed by a monument at the shore of Holt- Körös. Beautiful part of the environment is the worldwide famous Arborétum too. City life includes the different cultural, traditionalist and sports events. Significant area of the city are

belongs to the Körös – Maros National Park.



You can find a colourful education in the city of Tessedik, Szarvas. Pupils can expand their acquired knowledge in the school, within the spectatels of the city. We are doing our services for 19 years, it meets values of the Evangelical spirit. In 3 kindergardens we apply the traditional methods and todays requirements. We care for child in mixed (different ages) and no mixed groups. In our

kindergarden environmental education is occupes as a special place, the result is: classification of the green kindergarden. Result of the effective development is kindergarden has been Talent Point, on these educational scenes pupils have got possibilities for development of their abilities, learning language, playing sports, handcrafts.

In our school we can assure varied educations for pupils. In 2013/2014 we introduced the English bilingual education. There are: library, gym, sport- and children's courtyard. In each classrooms there are interactive boards too and wheelchair accessible result of an application.



Language talent management
László.

Like our kindergartens our school – is an ECO, Outstanding Accredited Talent Point. Our school is part of the National Talent Support Council network.

Our profession is to help the talent. The real professional talent supporting started in 2004-2005 (during the school year), it is led by Dr. Balogh

Our main objectives include the early identification of the children's exceptional talent, creativity, motivation and development of their personality and unfolding their talents. We continuously keep in contact with parents and carers to inform and include them in our programs. The continuous professional development and trainings of our dedicated teachers, the conferences that able them to delve into special fields; the contact-keeping and interest representation in relation to their subject area provide a permanent base to create and maintain our talent support workshops.

We support our colleagues (with counselling, mentoring, consultation's opportunities) who directly work with children and are determined to achieve our set goals in this area.

We offer opportunities for our partners and students to be involved in our support talented programmes, to participate in work experience programmes to try out their knowledge while working with 7-14 years old children.

Our workshops' leaders are creative, professionally trained teachers as we believe that only creative teachers can support children in exploring their creativity.

While creating our workshops we took into consideration as a basis the Gardneri 7 and Mönks-Renzulli model.



Our workshops are held in set time and place to provide a rich resourceful and well-equipped environment to our projects.

Our principles are:

- Every child is unique and talented in a special field and our goal is to identify this talent.
- We think in complex while we develop not only the children's personality but their skills by highlighting their strength.
- We work with children in 1:1 basis and in mikro groups to meet their individual needs.
- We provide a smooth transition between workshops to support children's emotional well-being.
- We believe that only creative individuals are able to identify and support the creativity of talented children.
- We work together with families to achieve our main goals.

Our objectives are:

- Early talent identification and selection focusing on children's own creativity and motivation
- Providing a complex support to the talented children
- Supporting children in their development of cooperation, socialization and communication with others.
- Providing such workshops that help children (7-14 years old) to explore their own abilities in a special field and by this promoting equality.
- Tracking children's development and milestone
- Providing opportunities for teachers to continuous professional development

Our aim in the near future is the development of our existing good practice and creating new ones.