The School Reform Commission approved the purchase of the Naglieri Nonverbal Assessment Test (NNAT) which will be administered to all 2nd graders spring of 2017. This document will help you understand what the NNAT is and how it will be used to support your child’s education.

**What is the Naglieri Nonverbal Assessment Test (NNAT)?**
The NNAT is a nonverbal assessment that uses visual information such as shape puzzles and patterns rather than words to evaluate specific skills. There is no reading or speaking required. A nonverbal assessment will evaluate your child's ability to analyze and solve complex problems without relying upon or being limited to language or reading abilities.

**How will the information be used?**
The information from the NNAT will be used to help teachers gain a more complete profile of your child’s abilities; abilities that may have been masked by other factors such as language. It will help all of the educators working with your child to identify the best ways your child learns. A copy of your child’s report will be available to you.

**Does this test determine if my child is gifted?**
No. The NNAT alone will not determine who is or is not gifted. Students who score in the higher range on the NNAT may or may not be gifted. Similarly, students who do not score as well may also be gifted. The NNAT has shown to be an excellent indicator of potentially or emerging gifted students. It will become part of your child’s data profile and will contribute to a gifted review.

**What does the test involve?**
The test takes 30 minutes and is taken online. The 38 items are a series of different types of puzzles and patterns. Children analyze the puzzle or pattern and click on the missing picture. Students will take it as a group.

**How may I best help my child?**
The NNAT is not a traditional test. It is about solving puzzles. If your child has not had a lot of experience with puzzles and patterns, letting them practice and learn how to solve them is the best preparation.

**Who do I contact if I have questions?**
Questions can be sent to gifted@philasd.org.