WEST NORTHFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 31

TEACHER OBSERVATION CHECKLIST Young Scholars Teacher: Student: DIRECTIONS: Please read the statements carefully and rate the child according to the following scale: 1. Seldom or never observed this characteristic 2. Observed this characteristic occasionally 3. Observed this characteristic to a considerable degree 4. Observed this characteristic almost all the time CREATIVITY: Displays a great deal of curiosity about many things; is constantly asking questions about anything and everything. Generates a large number of ideas or solutions or problems and questions; often offers unusual, unique, clever responses. LEARNING CHARACTERISTICS: Has unusually advanced vocabulary for age level; has verbal behavior characterized by richness of expression, elaboration, and fluency. Possesses a large storehouse of information about a variety of topics (beyond the usual interests of students his/her age). Has rapid insight into cause-effect relationships; tries to discover the how and why of things; asks many provocative questions. Enjoys tackling challenging math problems; demonstrates flexible mathematical problem solving abilities. MOTIVATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS: Becomes absorbed and truly involved in certain topics or problems; is persistent in seeking task completion. Needs little external motivation to follow through in work that initially excites him/her. Total:

Adapted from the Renzulli-Hartman Scale For Rating Behavioral Characteristics of Superior Students