

Gifted and Talented Study Group

The Gifted and Talented Study Group was authorized by Board of Education action at the regular Board meeting on June 13, 2005. The specific motion stated “The C.I.T. Committee will form a study group charged to study the Gifted/Talented program in terms of program goals, identifiable benchmarks, program delivery, components of the GIEP and progress reporting but not limited to these topics. The group will report to the C.I.T. Committee in November 2005.”

At the Curriculum, Instruction and Technology (CIT) Committee held on June 29, 2005 additional topics were added to the listing contained in the original motion. The topics are:

- Definitions of Gifted and Talented student and identification of each
- Definitions of enrichment and acceleration and how each can be operationalized
- Indication of success in terms of P.S.S.A., S.A.T., National Merit recognition, others
- Delivery of the program to students in terms of Highly Qualified Faculty
- Models of other programs
- Implication of most recent legislation/regulations such as NCLB, certification regulations, Chapter 16 in the Gifted/Talented program
- How to measure program success

It is anticipated that the initial meeting of the study group will be held the week of September 6, 2005. Additional meetings will be scheduled on a weekly basis with the ending date occurring before or on November 4, 2005.

All citizens who have an interest in reviewing the District’s Gifted and Talented program are invited to attend. Application forms for the “Study Group” are available on the website or are available at the reception desk at the District’s office at the Curwen Building.

If you have questions, please contact Dr. John H. Sechriest at 723-6900, extension 2154.