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## **GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENT PROGRAM**

The Governing Board believes that all students deserve an education that challenges them to reach their full potential.

*(cf. 0200 - Goals for the School District)*  
*(cf. 0460 - Local Control and Accountability Plan)*  
*(cf. 6000 - Concepts and Roles)*

The Superintendent or designee shall identify students for the district's gifted and talented education (GATE) program on the basis of demonstrated or potential intellectual development, creative ability, consistently high achievement levels, academic ability in particular subject area(s), leadership ability, and/or performing and visual arts talent.

The Superintendent or designee shall provide eligible students, including economically disadvantaged students, English learners, and students of varying cultural backgrounds, with full opportunities to participate in the GATE program.

*(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)*  
*(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance/Counseling Services)*  
*(cf. 6174 - Education for English Language Learners)*

The district's GATE program shall be designed to provide articulated learning experiences across subjects and grade levels and shall meet or exceed state academic content standards and curriculum frameworks.

*(cf. 6011 - Academic Standards)*  
*(cf. 6142.6 - Visual and Performing Arts Education)*  
*(cf. 6142.7 - Physical Education and Activity)*  
*(cf. 6142.8 - Comprehensive Health Education)*  
*(cf. 6142.91 - Reading/Language Arts Instruction)*  
*(cf. 6142.92 - Mathematics Instruction)*  
*(cf. 6142.93 - Science Instruction)*  
*(cf. 6142.94 - History-Social Science Instruction)*  
*(cf. 6178 - Career Technical Education)*

Educational opportunities in the district's GATE program may include:

1. Classes which are designed to meet specific academic needs of gifted and talented students and are appropriately differentiated from other classes in the same subjects at the school
2. Part-time groupings, in which students attend classes or seminars that are organized to provide advanced or enriched subject matter for a part of the school day
3. Cluster groupings, in which students are grouped within a regular classroom setting and receive appropriately differentiated activities from the regular classroom teacher
4. Independent study supervised by a certificated district employee or through enrollment in correspondence courses pursuant to Education Code 51740 and 5 CCR 1633

*(cf. 6158 - Independent Study)*

5. Acceleration, in which students are placed in grade levels or classes more advanced than those of their chronological age group and are provided special counseling and/or instruction outside the regular classroom in order to facilitate their advanced work



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*(cf. 5123 - Promotion/Acceleration/Retention)*

6. Opportunities to attend classes conducted by a college or community college

*(cf. 6172.1 - Concurrent Enrollment in College Classes)*

7. Advanced Placement classes, International Baccalaureate program, or honors classes

*(cf. 6141.5 - Advanced Placement)*

8. Supplemental educational activities which augment students' regular educational programs in their regular classrooms and may include the use of advanced materials and/or provide special opportunities from persons other than the regular classroom teacher

In addition, the district's program shall support the social and emotional development of GATE students in order to promote student engagement in school.

*(cf. 5113.1 - Chronic Absence and Truancy)*  
*(cf. 5147 - Dropout Prevention)*

Staff development shall be provided as needed to support teachers in understanding the unique learning styles and abilities of gifted and talented students and in developing appropriate instructional strategies.

*(cf. 4112.2 - Certification)*  
*(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)*

**Legal Reference:**

**EDUCATION CODE**

37223 Weekend classes for mentally gifted minors  
48800-48802 Enrollment of gifted students in community college  
51740 Instruction by correspondence  
51745-51749.3 Independent study programs  
52060-52077 Local control and accountability plan  
76000-76002 Enrollment in community college  
**CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5**  
1633 Instruction by correspondence

**Management Resources:**

**WEB SITES**

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>  
California Association for the Gifted: <http://www.cagifted.org>  
Council for Exceptional Children, The Association for the Gifted (CEC-TAG): <http://www.cectag.org>  
National Association for Gifted Children: <http://www.nagc.org>