

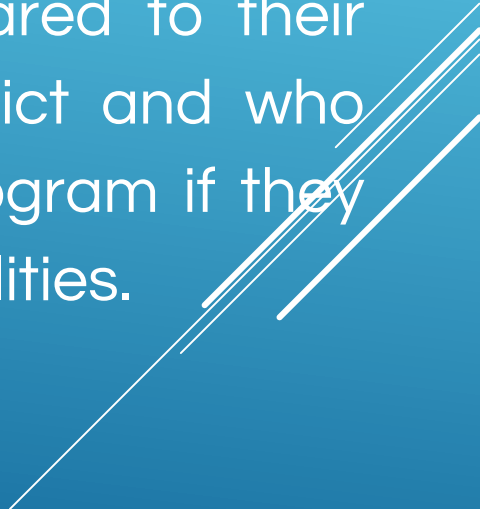
EAGLESWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Gifted and Talented

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New Jersey's Definition

N.J.A.C. 6A:8-1.3: "Gifted and talented students" means students who possess or demonstrate high levels of ability in one or more content areas when compared to their chronological peers in the local school district and who require modifications of their educational program if they are to achieve in accordance with their capabilities.

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What Does the State of NJ Require?

- In order to classify a student as Gifted and Talented (G&T) the school must have a board-approved G&T identification process that uses multiple measures.
- All students from grades K-12 should be considered for G&T.
- Once in the G&T program, modifications, instructional adaptations, and services must be provided in the student's educational program.
- Schools must review and make continuous improvements of the G&T program based on best practices and available technology.

what Does the State Recommend?

- ★ While NJ has not adopted standards, standards are available for use through the National Association for Gifted Children (NAGC) and also National Standards.
- ★ Teachers should be trained.




What Does the Research say?

- ★ Typically 2-5% of the population
- ★ Students should be identified beginning in Kindergarten
- ★ Identification process should have multiple measures
 - Achievement scores, student performance, teacher recommendation
- ★ Differentiation is an effective model
- ★ Elementary teachers can eliminate from 24%-70% of high-ability students' curriculum by compacting without any negative effect on test scores or performance.
- ★ "Compacting" what students already know allows time for acceleration or enrichment beyond the basic curriculum, usually interest-based.




Overview

Eagleswood will incorporate a variety of differentiated learning experiences that focus on developing grade appropriate thinking skills.



Program Eligibility

- ★ Phase One: Academic Performance
 - Performance on LinkIt! Assessments
 - Lexile Score
 - ★ Habits of Success (Report Card)
 - ★ Teacher Recommendation
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