

## 2464 GIFTED AND TALENTED PUPILS

The district shall provide all gifted and/or talented pupils with programs which provide for their basic education while encouraging optimum development of their special abilities. Programs shall be developed or located which stimulate pupils to participate constructively in, and contribute to, the activities of their school, the community and society.

Such programs shall be designed in terms of the individual learning styles of each pupil as well as the capacity of a gifted pupil to create concepts, respond to stimuli in a unique and creative manner, develop higher levels of thinking and influence the behavior of others.

Because early discovery of a gift or talent is important, it is essential that the identification of these pupils be carried on as a continuing process, since special abilities and skills appear at different times in the development of many children.

The Superintendent shall coordinate development of criteria to identify gifted and/or talented pupils and present them to the Board for approval.

He/she shall devise indicators of achievement to evaluate success of each program presented to the Board for adoption.

### Monmouth County Arts High School Program

Pupils interested in dance, music (instrumental and vocal), photography, theater arts and visual arts (drawing/painting) are given the opportunity to audition for participation in the Monmouth County Arts High School Program. Pupils who are accepted into the program will be released from school to attend three hour classes for a fourteen week term from January-May. Credits earned will be recorded on school transcripts and fulfill graduation requirements.

Multi-genre writing, modern dance, jazz ensemble, Broadway singing, theatre arts and visual arts are courses that have been accredited by Brookdale Community College. Pupils who register for college credit and successfully complete any of these courses will receive a letter grade for the course and three transferable college credits.

N.J.S.A. 18A:61A-2; 18A:35-4.16  
N.J.A.C. 6:37-1.1; 6A:8-1.3; 6A:8-3.1(a)5.  
P.L. 108-382, Sec. 10201 et seq.

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