

# **Santa Barbara School Districts**

## **Board Policy**

**BP 6172**

### **Instruction**

#### **GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENT PROGRAM**

The Governing Board believes that all students deserve an education that matches their abilities. The district shall participate in the California Gifted and Talented Pupil Program in order to give gifted and talented students opportunities to acquire skills and understanding at levels commensurate with their potential. By cultivating their exceptional abilities or talents, these students may contribute significantly to our society's progress in diverse fields.

The District philosophy is that all students will reach their full potential. GATE students will reach their full potential through programs designed to meet their needs include site-based and cluster program options. District curricular standards are established to ensure that all children have equal access to the core curriculum and opportunities to not only meet, but to exceed District standards.

Gifted and talented programs may offer special day classes; part-time grouping; enrichment activities; cluster grouping; independent study; acceleration; post-secondary education opportunities; services for underachieving, linguistically or culturally divergent and/or economically disadvantaged eligible students; and special counseling or instruction not offered in the regular classroom.

GATE teachers will implement the Districts' content standards. Teachers will determine the appropriate grade level content standards to implement depending on students' abilities.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures that ensure parent/guardian participation in planning, evaluating and implementing the program. (Education Code 52208) The Elementary and High School Districts will each implement procedures in accordance with the adopted Districts' plan for Gifted and Talented Programs as approved by the State Board of Education.

The Board shall conduct an annual assessment of the gifted and talented program. (Education Code 52208)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

52200-52212 Gifted and Talented Pupil Program

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

3820-3870 Gifted and Talented Pupil Program

Management Resources

CDE PROGRAM ADVISORIES

06271.09 School-Based Program Coordination Act

0620.09 Use of Categorical Funds for Motivation Incentives

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