Policies and Procedures for Identifying Gifted and Talented Students

What is the Lindenwold BOE policy regarding GT students?

- Our GT Policy (2464) can be found here.

How are GT students identified?

Teachers, administrators, and other instructional staff review student performance for evidence of gifted and talented indication. We use multiple performance measures to identify a student who may be gifted, including (but not limited to) reading performance on the Fountas and Pinell Reading Assessment; performance on the NJSLA in math, ELA, and science; performance on district benchmarks or other local assessment(s); teacher recommendation based on class performance; parent recommendation; or other outside performance evidence.

Who is eligible for GT services?

- Students in grades K-12 who are deemed eligible for GT services by way of identification through multiple means (see above) are eligible for GT services. GT determinations are made on a rolling basis but typically most often occur in the beginning of the year when students are baseline assessed by their teachers.

How do we serve GT students?

- As the nature of giftedness and talent is highly individualized to each student, there is no single way that all GT students are served. Once identified, GT students are typically provided with the opportunity to extend their learning beyond the established curriculum in ways that are meaningful to the student.

GT students are encouraged to explore their own interests and passions, and nourish their academic gifts within these areas. Teachers will work with GT students to find resources and challenging projects or creative outlets through any number of professional organizations.

Lindenwold is also a participant in the South Jersey Gifted and Talented Professional Learning Community (PLC)

Further information on GT activities can be found through several professional agencies for GT education:

- National Society for Gifted and Talented: http://www.nsgt.org/
- National Association for Gifted Children: https://www.nagc.org/
- New Jersey Association for Gifted Children: http://www.njagc.org/