

## Gifted Mission

The mission of the Edison Local Schools is to help gifted students become empowered to reach their full, unique potential as gifted individuals.

We look forward to working with you and your child.

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## **Gifted Philosophy and Beliefs**

Individual students and society benefit when exceptional capabilities are identified and nurtured.

Identification of unique abilities and learning needs should occur as early as possible in the child's life.

Efforts must be made to appropriately identify gifted students from special populations, including highly gifted students, creative students, students with disabilities, underachievers, students from diverse cultures, and those who are economically disadvantaged.

### **Gifted Identification**

Edison Local Schools will provide whole-grade screenings for gifted education two times during their K-12 education. Students will take the InView Ability Test and Terra Nova Achievement Tests in grade 2 and grade 6. Parents will be informed of the results. Students may also be evaluated on an individual basis upon parent or teacher referral.



### **Gifted Services**

Gifted students represent a wide range of abilities and developmental needs. Therefore, a continuum of service options within and beyond the classroom should be available to students identified as gifted in cognitive, academic, creative thinking, and/or visual/performing arts ability, and services should be thoughtfully matched with each student's unique needs. Although identification of children who are gifted is mandated by the state, district level programs and services for these children are not mandated. However, Edison Local Schools provides classroom experiences through differentiated instruction which are appropriate to the needs of gifted learners.

### **Areas of Gifted Identification**

Ohio defines a student who is gifted as one who "performs or shows potential for performing at remarkably high levels of accomplishment when compared to others of their age, experience, or environment" (Ohio Revised Code 3324.01).

The Edison Local School District is required to identify students in grades K-12 for gifted identification in the following areas:

- Superior Cognitive Ability
- Specific Academic Ability
- Creative Thinking Ability
- Visual/Performing Arts Ability

### **Gifted Support Mission**

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