## **Lisbon School District**

15 Newent Road Lisbon, CT 06351

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## **Instruction**

## **Gifted Children Program**

Gifted students are those with outstanding learning abilities or outstanding talent in the creative arts.

The school district shall provide educational programs for the gifted and talented that includes a broad spectrum of learning experiences which increase knowledge and develop skills necessary for the students to function successfully in society while encouraging students to excel in areas of special competence and interest.

Though early identification of the gifted and talented is important, it is essential that the identification of these students be recognized as a continuing process in that special abilities and skills appear at different times in the lives of many children and new children are regularly being enrolled in the system.

Upon the identification of a student as gifted and/or talented, the District shall provide electronic notice of such identification to the parent/guardian of such student. Such notice shall include, but need not be limited to:

- 1. an explanation of how such student was identified as gifted and/or talented,
- 2. the contact information for the District's employee in charge of the provision of services to gifted and talented students, or, if there is no such employee, the District's employee in charge of the provision of special education and related services,
- 3. the employee at the State Department of Education who has been designated as responsible for providing information and assistance to boards of education and parents or guardians of students related to gifted and talented students, pursuant to section 10-3e of the General Statutes, and
- 4. any associations in the state that provide support to gifted and talented students.

The school district shall utilize the guidelines, developed and promulgated by the State Department of Education (SDE), for providing services to those students. The guidelines include best practices for the district to consider for (1) addressing the intellectual, social and emotional needs of gifted and talented students in schools and (2) providing teacher training and professional development on gifted and talented students.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

10-76a-(e) Definitions

10-76d-(e) Duties and powers of Boards of Education to provide Special

Education Programs and Service

PA 17-82 An Act Concerning Services for Gifted and Talented Students

PA 19-184 An Act Concerning the Provision of Special Education

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