

PROGRAMS FOR GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENTS

PHILOSOPHY

The Saco School Board recognizes the importance of identifying students of unusual ability in the following areas: general intelligence, academic aptitude, creative thinking, literacy, and visual and performing arts. Identification instruments, selection criteria and procedures will ensure that participants are of gifted intellect or are talented performers or both. Specialized programs, designed to meet the needs of individual students, will be implemented in order to challenge them and further develop their potential.

GOALS

To provide talented and gifted children with:

- A. An opportunity for challenge of their intellectual abilities;
- B. An outlet to develop their creative thinking;
- C. Experiences designed to nurture leadership ability;
- D. A means to expand their academic achievements; and
- E. An opportunity to express their artistic and performing arts talents.

Legal Reference: 20-A MRSA § 8101 et seq.; 15603 (22)(c)

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