

Gifted FAQ's

- What is Cluster Grouping?
 - In the gifted cluster model, all students at a grade level are scheduled into classrooms in a way that balances ability and achievement levels throughout the grade level. In this structure, students are purposefully placed into classrooms with no classroom having both extremes of the learning continuum. The model slightly narrows the range of abilities in each classroom. This practice allows for a grade-level team approach and encourages grade-level planning and flexible grouping and facilitates more effective instruction. Careful balancing of the classes at each grade level and focused teacher training for the cluster teachers creates measurable differences in learning success. Teacher in-service training focuses on how to use differentiated teaching methods to be responsive to individual students' educational needs, a tactic that requires teacher preparation and the monitoring of student progress.
- More to come...