

District Program for Gifted and Talented Students

Bergen County Technical Schools has a process to identify gifted and talented students that includes multiple measures to assess strengths in both academic and career and technical subject areas. The measures used to identify these gifted students include, but are not limited to grades, state testing, and teacher recommendations. The identification process shall be inclusive and include English language learners (ELL's) and those with Individualized Education Plans or 504 plans. Each year, the district Gifted Education Coordinator will assist each school in identifying students who fit the criteria for their gifted program. This identification process will begin each summer with the goal of having students identified for gifted programming by October 1st. The district has developed appropriate programmatic modifications for these gifted students including accelerated math programs, research options, and dual enrollment opportunities, including a concurrent associates degree program with Bergen Community College. Current student research options include: biotechnology, optics, agri-science, mechatronics, and nanotechnology.

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