INSTRUCTION 2166

## Gifted Program

To the extent possible within the resources available, all gifted and talented students shall have the opportunity to participate in appropriate educational programs. The term "gifted and talented" means children of outstanding abilities who are capable of high performance and require differentiated educational programs beyond those normally offered in public schools, in order to fully achieve their potential contribution to society and self.

The Board authorizes the Superintendent to provide a gifted program, which includes:

- 1. Expansion of academic attainments and intellectual skills;
- 2. Stimulation of intellectual curiosity, independence, and responsibility;
- 3. Development of a positive attitude toward self and others; and
- 4. Development of originality and creativity.

The Superintendent shall establish procedures consistent with state guidelines for nominating, assessing, and selecting children of demonstrated achievement, or potential ability in terms of general intellectual ability and academic aptitude.

Legal References: §§ 20-7-901 - 904, MCA Gifted and talented children

10.55.804, ARM Gifted and Talented

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