Peach County Gifted Education

Believing that intelligence plus character is the true goal of education, the mission of Peach County gifted program is to guide individual students to maximize their full, intellectual potential by providing personalized support, authentic assessment, and differentiated learning activities. By empowering them to use their unique gifts and talents, tempering those gifts with knowledge, skills and opportunity, we will enable our students to be responsible and contributing members of a dynamic society.

Kay Road Elementary School is committed to academic and personal success for every student.

Vision: Learning Today—Leading Tomorrow!

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Gifted Education

Mission: To graduate college and career ready students.

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Referral Process

In Peach County students are reviewed for possible referral for gifted education services each year. There are two forms of referrals for gifted eligibility. For the reported referral, "A student is referred for consideration by teachers, counselors, administrators, parents/guardians, peers, self, or others with knowledge of the student’s academic abilities. For the automatic referral, students who score at specified levels on nationally norm-referenced tests are referred."

Eligibility

In order to qualify for gifted services in the State of Georgia, a student shall meet eligibility criteria that are consistent with the 160-4-2-.38 Rule and as defined in the GaDOE Resource Manual for Gifted Services. "To be eligible for gifted education services, a student must either (a) score at the 99th percentile (for grades K-2) or the 96th percentile (for grades 3-12) on the composite or full scale score of a norm-referenced test of mental ability and meet one of the achievement criteria described in paragraph (2) (d) 5. (ii) Achievement, or (b) qualifies through a multiple-criteria assessment process by meeting the criteria in any three of the following four areas: mental ability, achievement, creativity, and motivation.

Gifted Program Services

The Peach County School District serves gifted students in a variety of direct and indirect services. At the elementary level, most students are served through the resource room (a direct service) with the possibility of additional grade-level Advanced Content, Collaborative, or Cluster Group instruction. Students participating in these classes are provided additional content tutoring if the need arises.

Gifted Resource Room

Kay Road Elementary Schools Gifted Resource curriculum is designed to promote:
- Creative/Critical Thinking
- Problem Solving Skills
- Research Skills
- Communication Skills

The Resource Room curriculum has an academic content foundation based on the Georgia curriculum standards focusing on interdisciplinary enrichment activities.

Advanced Content

Advanced Content area courses serve gifted students and high ability learners, who demonstrate exceptional ability and motivation in a particular content area. The local district has criteria and guidelines to identify students in these courses.

Gifted Cluster Groups

Identified gifted students are placed as a group into an otherwise regular (heterogeneous) classroom, rather than being dispersed among all of the rooms/courses at that grade level. They receive differentiated instruction to meet their needs in these groups.

Collaborative Teaching

The teacher of the Gifted collaborates with a regular classroom teacher to develop differentiated instructional strategies, curriculum, and evaluation practices for gifted students.