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GIFTED & TALENTED EDUCATION

Philosophy

The Board recognizes the importance of identifying students of unusual ability in the following areas: general intelligence, academic aptitude, creative thinking and visual and performing arts.

RSU 16 will design programs to meet the needs of individual students and will fully utilize existing educational programs in order to provide the least restrictive educational environment while maintaining social relationships and social development.

RSU 16 will establish selection criteria and utilize identification methods, instruments, and procedures that will ensure that participants are of gifted intellect or are talented performers or both. RSU 16 will prescribe and implement individualized programs to challenge gifted and talented students and further develop their potential.

Goals

Legal Reference:

The Board's goals in providing educational programming for students identified as gifted and talented are:

- A. An opportunity for challenge of their intellectual abilities;
- B. An outlet to develop their creative thinking;

20-A MRSA § 8101

- 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.

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