



State of New Jersey  
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Adoption Resolution  
March 4, 2020

**Resolution in Honor of Gifted and Talented Students Month in New Jersey**

**Whereas**, the "Strengthening Gifted and Talented Education Act" was signed into law on January 13, 2020, and

**Whereas**, the Act defines a Gifted and Talented Student as one who possesses or demonstrates high levels of ability in one or more content areas when compared to their chronological peers and who require modification of their educational program to achieve in accordance with their capabilities; and

**Whereas**, the Act specifies standards for Gifted and Talented education student identification, services, professional development, and reporting of student counts disaggregated by race, gender, special education designation, and English language learner designation; and

**Whereas**, Gifted and Talented Students may also be Twice-Exceptional, or give evidence of a special need or disability as defined by Federal or State eligibility criteria; and

**Whereas**, the full intellectual and academic potential of Gifted and Twice-Exceptional Students is developed and bolstered through the guidance of trained educators who develop specialized learning services through the local school district, extracurricular programs, and parent collaboration; now, therefore be it

**Resolved**, that the New Jersey State Board of Education and the Commissioner of Education recognizes the month of March as "Gifted and Talented Students Month in New Jersey" and honors the gifted and talented students of New Jersey, the parents, and the teachers who are working to ensure that these young people have the resources and opportunities they need to succeed.

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