

GT-ED-241: Nature and Needs of Gifted Students

Student Learning Outcomes

- Describe the importance, implications, and benefits of gifted education for students and society through the identification of key philosophies, theories, and research.
- Demonstrate an understanding of major historical and contemporary trends that influence gifted education.
- Demonstrate knowledge of the historical, national, and state definitions of giftedness.
- Identify cognitive and affective characteristics of learners who are gifted, including those from diverse backgrounds.
- Identify the needs and challenges associated with common gifted characteristics.
- Compare and contrast the cognitive, social, emotional, experiential, and economic factors in supporting or inhibiting the development of giftedness.
- Understand the role of societal, cultural, emotional, experiential, and economic factors in supporting or inhabiting the development of giftedness.
- Identify issues related to the identification of students who may be gifted.
- Examine district screening practices and identification procedures.
- Recognize contents, uses, limitations, and interpretation of multiple assessments for the screening and identification of learners who are gifted, including students from diverse backgrounds.
- Examine how gifted services differ from education services with regard to curriculum, instruction, grouping, and learning environment.
- Analyze the relationship among gifted programming, differentiation, and identification criteria.
- Prioritize the educational needs of individual students who are gifted based on cognitive and affective characteristics and present levels of educational performance.
- Compare and contrast different service delivery models for students who are gifted and the relationship of the level of need for differentiation to placement on a continuum of services.
- Describe the characteristics and competencies of effective teachers of students who are gifted.
- Identify laws, regulations, and official documents that directly impact students who are gifted and receive services in Florida, including the relationship between exceptional student education and gifted programs.
- Identify and interpret implications of current research that impacts gifted education.
- Demonstrate an understanding of the teacher's responsibility for record keeping, including developing a suitable educational plan (EP) for an individual learner who is gifted.
- Examine the importance and role of the parent, teacher, and student in advocating for the gifted.