

PINELLAS COUNTY SCHOOLS  
GIFTED REFERRAL PACKET

Dear Parent/Guardian of: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Your child is being referred for further evaluation to determine gifted eligibility for the following reason:**

- [ ] He/she scored at or above the 90th percentile on the CogAT, K-BIT2, or NNAT3.
- [ ] He/she has been privately tested and it is necessary to complete the remaining evaluation components.

**This packet includes:**

- *Procedural Safeguards for Exceptional Students Who Are Gifted (FLdoe.org)*
- *Gifted Consideration Parent/Guardian Questionnaire (Form 2-3126)*
- *Gifted Only - Informed Notice and Consent For Evaluation (Form 2-3197)*
- *Gifted Characteristics Checklist (Form 2-2593)*

**Evaluation/eligibility determination Process:**

**Step 1** The parent/guardian completes forms included in the Gifted Referral Packet and returns them to the school's gifted coordinator.

\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
(name) (school)

**Step 2** An evaluation will be conducted to determine whether the student meets state criteria for gifted eligibility. **from 6A-6.03019 Special instructional Programs for Students who are Gifted.**  
"The student demonstrates: 1. Need for a special program. 2. A majority of characteristics of gifted students according to a standard scale or checklist, and 3. Superior intellectual development as measured by an intelligence quotient of two (2) standard deviations or more above the mean on an individually administered standardized test of intelligence."

The intellectual evaluation will be administered by a school psychologist. It is anticipated that the evaluation will be completed within 90 school days. A copy of the results will be sent to the parent/guardian.

**Step 3** A team of three professional personnel, a school psychologist, a gifted compliance diagnostician and a gifted endorsed teacher, will meet to review all evaluation data. This committee will determine whether the student meets state criteria for gifted eligibility.

**Step 4** The parent/guardian will be notified by letter of the eligibility determination decision.  
a) If the student does not meet state criteria there will be no change in his/her educational program. The parent/guardian may request a meeting to review the eligibility determination.  
  
b) If the student does meet state criteria the parent/guardian will be invited to a school based meeting. The purpose of this meeting is to obtain consent for gifted placement and to develop an initial Educational Plan (EP). This meeting will be scheduled within 20 days of the eligibility meeting.