

ATTACHMENT
Text of Proposed Amendment to 19 TAC

Chapter 89. Adaptations for Special Populations

Subchapter A. Gifted/Talented Education

§89.1. Student Identification.

School districts shall develop written policies on student identification that are approved by the local board of trustees and disseminated to parents. The policies must:

- (1) include provisions for ongoing screening and selection of students who perform or show potential for performing at remarkably high levels of accomplishment in the areas defined in the Texas Education Code, §29.121;
- (2) include assessment measures collected from multiple sources according to each area defined in the Texas State Plan for the Education of Gifted/Talented Students;
- (3) include data and procedures designed to ensure that students from all populations in the district have access to assessment and, if identified, services for the gifted/talented program;
- (4) prohibit a scoring value based on race, ethnicity, sex, socioeconomic status, or disability if the selection process utilizes a matrix or threshold system;
- (5) ~~[(4)]~~ provide for final selection of students to be made by a committee composed of at least three local district educators who have received training in the nature and needs and identification of gifted students;
- (6) ~~[(5)]~~ include provisions regarding furloughs, reassessment, exiting of students from program services, transfer students, and appeals of district decisions regarding program placement; and
- (7) ~~[(6)]~~ not limit the number of students the district may identify as gifted/talented or served under the district's program for gifted/talented students.