Academically or Intellectually Gifted Procedures to Resolve Disagreements

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Communication

Parents are encouraged to talk with the classroom teacher, gifted specialist, and the building principal to better understand the identification issues or to discuss the appropriateness of services.

If the concerns are not resolved, the parent may wish to meet with the AIG Specialist serving the child's school. Members of the AIG Match Team may also be invited to attend this meeting.

Services Over Identification

Across Onslow County Schools, gifted services attempts to provide gifted services to as many students and support to as many teachers as possible. Gifted services seeks to provide services even when identification criteria are not met for students who demonstrate a need.

Resolving Disagreements

In the event that a parent disagrees with the determination of the AIG Match Team that a student is not eligible for identification, an appeal may be made. The parent shall notify the school principal in writing of the intent to appeal within thirty days after being informed of the committee's decision. The appeal shall be heard within ten school days of its receipt at a mutually convenient time for the parent and the Appeals Committee. The parent may present information at the appeal. The appeal will be heard by the Appeals Committee.



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Appeals Committee

1. District Level Instructional Director
2. Principal or Assistant Principal
3. District Coordinator for Gifted Education or Superintendent's Designee
4. Gifted specialist in the student's school
5. School Counselor

Each member of the Appeals Committee has one vote. A majority vote is needed to change the decision of the school Match Team. The committee will inform parents of the results, in writing, within 10 school days.

In the event that the disagreement is not resolved with a meeting of the Appeals Committee, a petition for a contested case hearing under Article 3 of Chapter 150B of the General Statues may be filed.

The scope of review shall be limited to (i) whether the local school administrative unit improperly failed to identify the child as an academically and/or intellectually gifted student, or (ii) whether the local plan developed under G. 115C-150.7 has been implemented appropriately with regard to the child.

Following the hearing, the administrative law judge shall make a decision that contains findings of fact and conclusions of law.

Notwithstanding the provisions of Chapter 150B of the General Statues, the decision of the administrative law judge becomes final, is binding on the parties, and is not subject to further review under Article 4 of Chapter 150B of the General Statutes.

Attorney's Fees

Attorney's fees are NOT available to parents in the event they prevail in a due process hearing.

Onslow County Schools Gifted Services

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