

Miami-Dade County Public Schools
Superintendent's District Advisory Panel for Exceptional Student Education
Gifted Sub-Committee Minutes from February 3, 2022 Meeting

Attendees

In-person: Beverly Heller, Maria Ratti, Lisette Rodriguez, Karen Marsh, Maria Sellek

Via Zoom: Tiombe Kendrick-Dunn and Isabel de la Torre

Discussion Items

- NNAT3 Update and progress on Goal 1: The ESE Panel Gifted Sub-Committee supports increasing identification of underrepresented students in gifted education.
 - Approximately 13,000 first graders were administered the NNAT3
 - 684 students were identified as possibly gifted and should be considered for gifted referral.
 - Three Curriculum Support Specialists are assisting schools with identifying and referring students.
 - Seventeen students earned a score in the 99.9%ile
- Progress on Goals 2 and 3:

(2) The ESE Panel Gifted Sub-Committee supports professional development for teachers on instructional resources and strategies to address the needs of gifted learners, including their social-emotional development. (3) The ESE Panel Gifted Sub-Committee will share important gifted updates and information with parents.

 - Twelve sessions were held in December 2021 and January 2022.
 - Over 200 teachers, administrators, and parents participated.
 - Topics included providing enrichment in the elementary reading, science, and social studies classes, ensuring compliance with state and district requirements, and sharing information about the Gifted Program with parents.
- For 2022-23, the FLDOE has authorized M-DCPS to provide an additional Gifted service option for K-12. Students are grouped based on high academic achievement in specific content areas. The class may include peers who are not formally identified as gifted. The teacher, who is endorsed to teach gifted or on an approved waiver to complete the gifted endorsement, must clearly document the differentiation provided to the gifted students based on their Educational Plan. For the non-gifted, advanced students in the Gifted/Advanced class, parents/guardians must be informed that this is a one-year placement.
- Confirmed date and time for the next meeting - Thursday, February 3, 2022 at 10:00 AM in Room 326Y of the MDCPS Annex Building