



Talented and Gifted Advisory Committee and Subcommittee(s) Guidelines

Purpose

MMSD values community input and is committed to providing structured opportunities for the community to provide input regarding educational decisions. The purpose of the Talented and Gifted Advisory Committee is to provide input and feedback to the Teaching & Learning Talented and Gifted Division for the purpose of supporting the TAG Division's work to implement the August 17, 2009 Board of Education approved Talented and Gifted Plan (see Goal 8, p.21 of TAG Plan).

Recruitment

The Teaching & Learning Talented and Gifted Division will recruit representatives to the TAG Advisory Committee on an annual basis. The recruitment efforts will ensure representation of MMSD's student body reflecting demographic make-up and geographic location. Recruitment efforts will include: posting on MMSD website, input from school-based staff at all schools, and communication with 2008-09 TAG Advisory Committee. Membership will include:

- Parents with students at elementary, middle and high school
- Students at middle and high school
- Teachers representing elementary, middle and high school
- Principals representing elementary, middle and high school
- Professional organizations
- Higher education faculty and staff
- Teaching & Learning TAG Coordinator and staff

The TAG Advisory Committee will not exceed 30 members. Subcommittee members must be members of the TAG Advisory Committee (occasional non-members may be recruited based on specifics of action step and need for expertise). Subcommittee membership will be reached by consensus of the full TAG Advisory Committee during or after the first annual meeting each year.

Role

The role of the TAG Advisory Committee shall include:

- Attendance at TAG Advisory Committee meetings
- Active participation during TAG Advisory Committee meetings

The role of TAG Advisory Committee members may include:

- Participation in designated TAG Advisory Subcommittee meetings
- Active participation during TAG Advisory Subcommittee meetings
- Projects and/or work as defined by the District to support the specified goal of the subcommittee

Protocol

The TAG Advisory Committee and any established Subcommittee(s) are advisory. The work of the TAG Advisory Committee and Subcommittee(s) will take place during scheduled meetings. The District will define and describe parameters for TAG Advisory Subcommittee(s), including specific charge and size. The TAG Advisory Subcommittee(s) dissolve upon completion of the specified subcommittee charge.

Communication

The TAG Advisory Committee will receive quarterly updates. The District will send an agenda via email one week prior to scheduled TAG Advisory Committee meetings. Monthly updates will be made the TAG website regarding progress toward implementation of the TAG Plan. As defined in the TAG Plan, the MMSD Board of Education will receive a: mid-year status report and summary in January; end-of-year status report and summary in June; and summary of recommended revisions for the upcoming school year.