DIFFERENTIATED CURRICULA

The Academically Intellectually Gifted Needs Determination Team will use multiple criteria to recommend appropriate services for students. Students in elementary, middle, and high schools will have a Differentiated Education Plan based on strengths, interests, or potential. Services will match students' needs in mathematics, reading, and other areas of the North Carolina Standard Course of Study. Individual education plans are developed for students as needed. Parents and/or guardians may be involved in the development of these plans. Parent meetings are held annually to review the Differentiated Education Plan (DEP) or Individualized Education Plan (IEP).

Cleveland County Schools offers a broad array of appropriate AIG services to cultivate a wide spectrum of abilities. Kindergarten through third grade students may receive whole class enrichment lessons based on Talents Unlimited, a research based program that promotes development of higher order thinking skills. Whole class lessons are provided through fifth grade. Resource classes are available for students in grades three through five taught by an AIG specialist. In addition, Elementary AIG specialists work with nurturing groups, interest groups, and enrichment groups. Middle Schools provide accelerated classes in reading and/or math for students who indicate a need for advanced curriculum. Honors classes, Advanced Placement classes, and Advanced Placement On-line classes are available at all high schools. Cleveland County Schools also accommodates students who wish to enroll in Huskins classes at Cleveland Community College for additional college credit.