

Gifted Education Strategies for Every Child

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Best Advice: Know your child. Trust yourself. You are a love-giver, not care-giver or educator

- Balance social and academic needs. Teach every subject at their level all the time
- Socialization and maturity are not the same

Definition of Giftedness

- Gifted children learn more and faster and at an earlier age, remember more facts and understand more abstract concepts, have passionate interests and can do multiple things at the same time and still do them well.
- Consider having your child officially labeled “gifted” with high school SAT in 7th or 8th grade, if it will change what you do. Balance emotional, social, and family consequences, with increased access to resources. Will it help your child?

Definitions of Gifted
IQ of 130 or more
Top 2.5% on standardized tests
2 grade levels above age group
“Capable of high performance”
Total credits: 20-24 or more

Techniques in Gifted Education

Acceleration: “Go Faster”

- Pretest or assess and move ahead. Spend less time on the subject.

Compacting: “Do Less Work”

- Determine what the students already know and what they still need to learn. Eliminate busywork

Enrichment: “Go Deeper”

- Expose to a variety of topics, issues, and activities

Liberal Arts: “Go Wider”

- Go beyond core classes of college preparation

Specialization: “Have More Fun”

- Encourage them to follow their passion and interests

Perfect Fit Curriculum: “Challenging not Overwhelming”

- Assess frequently, expect mastery, not 100% perfection

Forward Momentum: “Do the Next Thing”

- Move ahead and do the next thing even in unfamiliar subjects

Find Curriculum: “Use What Works”

- Change curriculum only when it does not work

Continue Home Education: “Be Flexible”

- Avoid classroom conveyor-belt mentality of steady-pace learning.

Guidance Counselor: “Be Prepared”

- Always have your record current, situations change quickly.
- Be prepared for high school tests: PSAT in 11th grade National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test

College and Career Ready

- Expect dramatic changes because maturity happens, interests and situations change. Be prepared
- Homeschool until you run out of curriculum. Dual enrollment is often “Rated R”.
- Plan for college. Apply to 4-8 colleges, reach, fit, and safety. Ivy league always “Reach”

Find Peace within the Bell-Shaped Curve

- Don’t judge your success or failure by your child’s position on the bell-shaped curve

Resources

[Free Workshop] Homeschool Records That Open Doors HomeHighSchoolHelp.com/Freebies

Coordinating Reference Book: [The HomeScholar Guide to College Admission and Scholarships](#)

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General College Preparation	
English	4 years
Math	3-4 years
Social Studies	3-4 years
Science	3-4 years
Foreign language	2-4 years
P.E.	2 years
Fine arts	1 year or more
Electives	As needed
Total credits: 20-24 or more	