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MSAD #6 Gifted And Talented Education Services (GATES) Child Study Team Appeal Form

Each year, the MSAD #6 Child Study Team meets to consider students who have been nominated for the district's Gifted And Talented Education Services (GATES) Program. Parents, classroom teachers, GATES staff and/or high performance on standardized tests all may nominate students. The Child Study Team is made up of GATES staff, guidance counselor, and building administrators. The Child Study Team is charged with the formal identification of students as being "gifted" in Specific Academic areas (Math, Reading, Science & Social Studies) or in the area of General Intellectual ability (top 3-5%). Information about the MSAD #6 Identification Process may be obtained from our website.

Parents whose children have been considered for inclusion in GATES programming but have not been formally identified may appeal the decision of the Child Study Team. To do this, complete the form below and return it to the Building Principal at your child's school.

Child's Name: _____

School/Grade: _____

Have you spoken with the GATES teacher at your child's school about the identification process and the decision of the Child Study team?

What *new* objective data can you provide that you believe would assist the Appeals Committee in reconsidering your child's nomination? (Include any information, e.g., Outside Testing, that might not have been available to the Child Study Team in making its decision)

Are there *mitigating* circumstances that you believe impacts your child's performance?

Please provide any additional information that you believe would assist the Appeals Committee in evaluating your child's nomination.

Please continue on the reverse or attach additional sheets if necessary.