

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF HARFORD COUNTY INFORMATIONAL REPORT PRESENTATION ON

Gifted Education Citizens Advisory Committee

May 20, 2024

Background:

Citizens Advisory Committees (CAC) are key groups that allow for in-depth and focused involvement from a wide range of community stakeholders who share their relevant perspectives in order to help inform decision-making. The Gifted Education Citizens Advisory Committee discusses and reviews the impact of the Gifted Education Program on higher student achievement. The committee is charged with studying the research surrounding giftedness and twice exceptionality and recommend ways to infuse best practices into the manner in which students identified as gifted are served.

Discussion:

This presentation provides the overview and charge of the Gifted Education Citizens Advisory Committee. The membership of the committee is presented as well as an overview of the topics of discussion for each meeting which included the HCPS gifted identification process, the process for acceleration, the review of gifted education updates to the HCPS website, and the review of a newly developed data dashboard to assist in gifted identification. Kayla Parker, student representative, shares her experiences as a student who has received gifted services.

Superintendent's Recommendation:

The Superintendent of Schools recommends the Board of Education accept this informational report outlining the focus of the Gifted Education Citizens Advisory Committee.