

Mount Arlington Public School District

Gateway-Enrichment Programs Overview: Mission & Rational

Mission Statement:

The mission statement of the Mount Arlington School District is to ensure that our children succeed personally, academically, creatively, and socially. Through our commitment and passion to promote excellence, we will continue to provide our students with a safe, challenging and inspiring learning environment so that each student may achieve his/her full potential. In partnership with the community, we will provide our students with a sound foundation rooted in civics, wellness, and sustainability to support a lifelong journey of opportunity and success.

Brief Description

Under the "Enrichment for All" model, the Gifted-and-Talented Program provides students with opportunities to explore real world issues using a variety of interdisciplinary projects designed to address career and workplace readiness and to foster civic and sustainability awareness. In addition, opportunities for students to explore and develop talents in the areas of leadership, the creative arts, and physical wellness will be offered to all students. The program provides a mix of instructional models including in-class differentiation, special projects based on interest and talents, multi-age groupings, and pull-out instruction.

Belief Statement:

The "Enrichment for All" belief is to expand on students' learning in ways that differ from the methods used during daily classroom instruction by providing an inquiry approach that is based on multiple intelligences. All students will apply the knowledge and skills acquired in the classroom to real-life experiences by bringing new concepts to light or by utilizing previously learned concepts in new ways. This approach provides challenges and opportunities in "Enrichment for All." Students develop skills and confidence to see themselves as empowered learners, digital citizens, knowledge constructors, innovative designers, computational thinkers, creative communicators, and global collaborators.

Purpose:

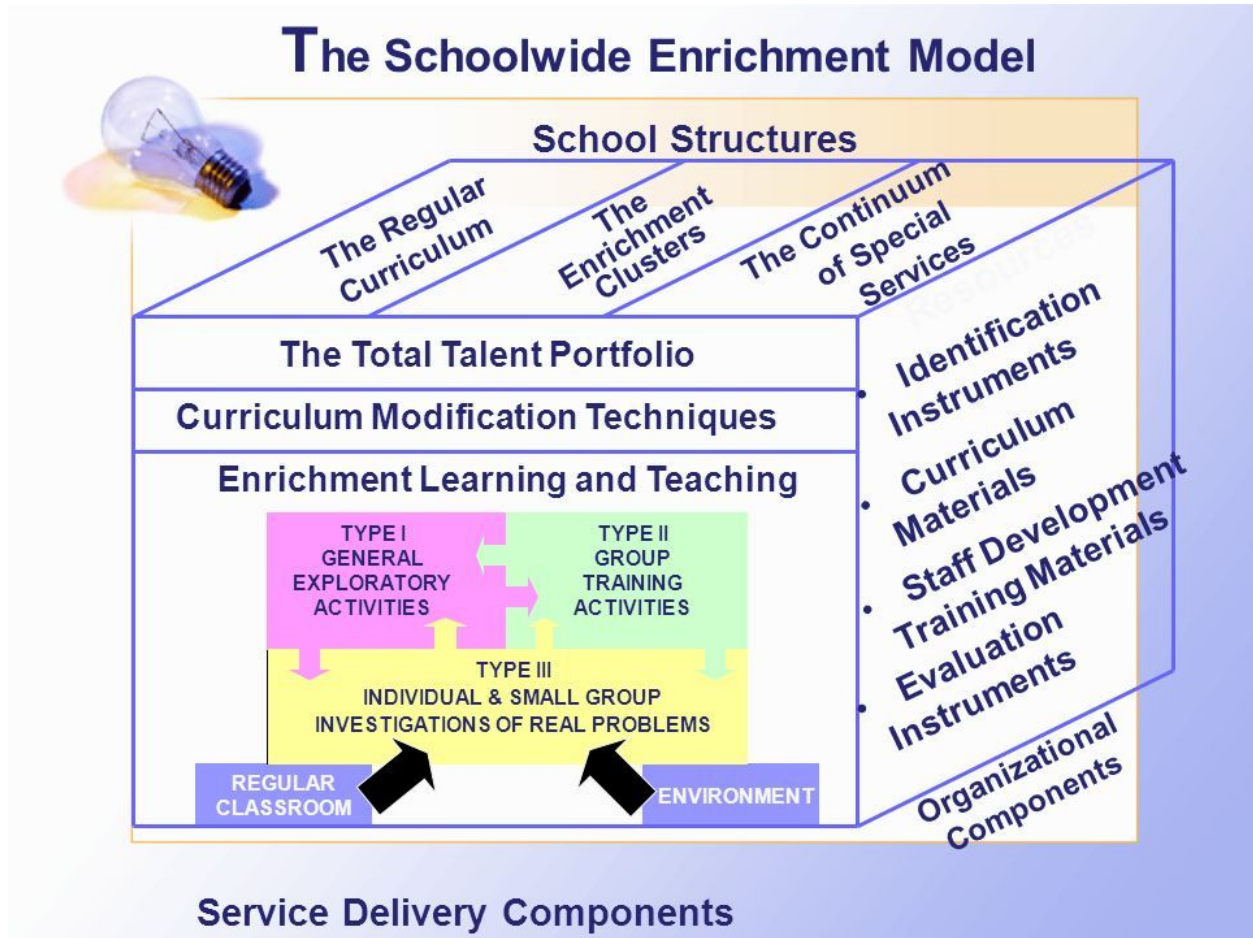
The purpose of "Enrichment For All" is to provide all students with arousing opportunities that are appropriate to their abilities and interests while further challenging them through extension activities and alternative projects within the classroom setting that foster self-esteem, problem solving, and creative thinking skills. In addition to in-class programs, students can participate in pullout programs focused on interdisciplinary projects that address civics and applied technology and engage in career exploration and leadership training.

Rationale

The Gifted and Talented Program will provide components for independent studies, project based learning units, appropriate audiences as authentic assessment tools, and educational choices suitable

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in content for high-level career goals. The program will have a multi-modality approach; therefore, it will address all areas of the New Jersey Student Learning Standards.



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