Gifted and Talented Education in Maryland

TRUTH OR FICTION?

1. All Maryland school systems must identify and serve gifted and talented students.

2. Acceleration can be beneficial for gifted students.

3. Gifted students learn better in heterogeneous classrooms.

4. Funding for gifted students is commensurate with their existence in the general population.

5. Maryland schools can apply for the designation “Excellence in Gifted and Talented Education” (EGATE) school.

6. Advanced Placement courses meet the needs of gifted high school students.

7. Appropriate enrichment for gifted students consists of field trips, speakers, and after school activities such as drama club.

8. Teachers require specialized training in order to meet the needs of gifted students.

9. Maryland has a professional organization for educators of gifted students.

10. Gifted and talented students have unique social and emotional needs.

11. Environmental circumstances such as poverty can mask giftedness.

12. Students who are gifted may also have learning difficulties.