

Resolution 2023-06

Adoption of Child-Centered Gifted Education Philosophy

WHEREAS, the Academy for Advanced and Creative Learning Board of Directors (the Board) recognizes the importance of providing an inclusive and equitable education that meets the diverse needs of all students;

WHEREAS, the Child-Centered Gifted Consortium, composed of dedicated educators and leaders, has developed a comprehensive philosophy titled "What is Child-Centered Gifted Education?" that emphasizes the unique qualities and needs of gifted children;

WHEREAS, the Child-Centered Gifted Education philosophy promotes a child-centered approach that focuses on the individual development of each child, recognizing their intellectual, emotional, social, cultural, and ethical dimensions;

WHEREAS, the Board acknowledges the significance of child-centered gifted education in supporting the growth, well-being, and authentic experiences of gifted students;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board adopts the Child-Centered Gifted Education philosophy as a guiding framework for the school's approach to gifted education;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the school will strive to implement the principles outlined in the philosophy, including but not limited to:

1. Identifying gifted students through a variety of qualitative and quantitative measures, focusing on the child's traits.
2. Embracing best practices that support the intellectual, academic, social, emotional, and ethical development of gifted students.
3. Providing appropriately challenging learning experiences based on the demonstrated readiness of each child, valuing the learning process as much as learning products.
4. Cultivating social-emotional and ethical growth through practices that promote empathy, respect, and self-compassion.
5. Establishing a safe and inclusive learning environment that encourages the development of trusting relationships among students, parents, and educators.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the school commits to ongoing collaboration with the Child-Centered Gifted Consortium and other relevant stakeholders to ensure the effective implementation and continuous improvement of child-centered gifted education practices.

ADOPTED this 14th day of December 2023.

President,
Academy for Advanced and Creative Learning Board of Directors