

**LUZERNE  
INTERMEDIATE  
UNIT #18**

**SECTION: PROGRAMS  
TITLE: GIFTED EDUCATION  
ADOPTED: MAY 27, 2015  
REVISED:**

114. Gifted Education	
<p>1. Authority SC 914-A, 1371 Title 22 Sec. 4.28, 16.1 et seq</p>	<p>In accordance with the Board’s philosophy to develop the special abilities of each student, the Intermediate Unit may provide gifted education programs, in coordination with member districts, designed to meet the individual educational needs of identified students as a service to its member school districts.</p> <p>The Board directs that the Intermediate Unit’s gifted education program shall meet the requirements of applicable law and regulations.</p>
<p>Title 22 Sec. 16.32 16.61 16.62</p>	<p>The Intermediate Unit, in coordination with member school districts, shall provide all required notices and information to parents/guardians of gifted students, document all consents and responses of parents/guardians, and adhere to all established timelines.</p>
<p>2. Guidelines</p>	<p><u>Caseloads/Class Size</u></p>
<p>Title 22 Sec. 16.41</p>	<p>The Board directs the Executive Director and designated administrators to annually assess the Intermediate Unit’s delivery of gifted services and programs, in order to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ensure the ability of assigned staff to provide the services required in each identified student’s GIEP.</li> <li>2. Address the educational placements for gifted students within the Intermediate Unit’s programs.</li> <li>3. Limit the total number of gifted students that can be on an individual gifted teacher’s caseload to a maximum of sixty-five (65) students.</li> <li>4. Limit the total number of gifted students that can be on an individual gifted teacher’s class roster to a maximum of twenty (20) students.</li> </ol>
<p>Title 22 Sec. 16.41</p>	<p>The Intermediate Unit may make a written request to the Secretary of Education to waive the applicable caseload and class size maximums in extenuating circumstances.</p>

<p>Title 22 Sec. 16.65 20 U.S.C. Sec. 1232g Pol. 216</p> <p>3. Delegation of Responsibility</p>	<p><u>Confidentiality of Student Records</u></p> <p>All personally identifiable information regarding a gifted student shall be treated as confidential and disclosed only as permitted by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and its implementing regulations, State Board of Education regulations, and Board policy.</p> <p>The Executive Director or designee shall develop administrative regulations to implement this policy.</p> <p>References: School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 914-A, 1371 State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 4.28, 11.12, 16.1 et seq. Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act – 20 U.S.C. Sec. 1232g Board Policy – 000, 113, 216</p>
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