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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope this communication finds you and your families doing well and your children are enjoying their new virtual learning opportunities through the South Euclid Lyndhurst Schools.

I am writing this letter to inform you of the gifted education testing extensions granted through the Ohio Department of Education in the wake of the Coronavirus-related school closures in the Spring of the 2019-2020 school year. Section 17 of House Bill 197 states specific gifted education requirements. These requirements have been extended by Ohio's state superintendent of public instruction.

The following is a direct excerpt regarding whole grade testing for gifted identification:

“Per Ohio Administrative Code 3301-51-15 (C)(3)(b)(ii), public school districts are required to provide whole grade screenings for all students once prior to the end of grade 2 and once after the completion of grade 2 but prior to the end of grade 6. Districts that were in the process of administering required whole grade screenings or where required whole grade screenings were not yet administered due to Ohio's ordered school-building closure, have until October 31, 2020, to complete the required whole grade screenings.”

South Euclid Lyndhurst Schools have identified students in grades 2 and 4 to be assessed each year in the Spring to identify students as gifted and to participate in the district's ALPHA and/or STEP UP programs. If you are receiving this letter, your current 3rd and/or 5th grade student(s) did not receive their whole grade gifted screening as 2nd or 4th graders in the Spring of 2020.

If you would like the opportunity to have your student assessed for possible gifted identification in Reading, Mathematics and/or Superior Cognitive Ability, please complete the enclosed testing referral form and send it back to the attention of Beverley Veccia via email no later than Friday, October 2, 2020. On the referral form, please mark the assessment(s) you would like to be administered to your child(ren). Once received, your request will be processed and you will be contacted regarding scheduling for the Gifted Assessments.

Please do not hesitate to send any questions to Bev Veccia, Coordinator of Gifted Services at vecciab@sel.k12.oh.us.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Moles

Director of Special Education

Attachments:

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