



# CURRICULUM DEPARTMENT

## EAST GREENWICH TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

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### Gifted and Talented Program Complaint Procedures

Per A4710 1R: Strengthening Gifted and Talented Education Act, the following information must be provided to file a complaint that the East Greenwich Township School District is not in compliance with the provisions of the Strengthening Gifted and Talented Education Act.

Per East Greenwich Township School District board policy 2464 - GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENTS, "An individual who believes the district has not complied with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:35-34 et seq. may file a complaint with the Board of Education. This Policy for filing a complaint shall be linked to the homepage of the Board's Internet website. The Board shall issue a decision, in writing, to affirm, reject, or modify the district's action in the matter. The individual may then file a petition of appeal of the Board's written decision to the Commissioner of Education through the Office of Controversies and Disputes in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:6-9 and the procedures set forth in State Board of Education regulations."

#### Please Note:

**\*The complaint process is different from an appeal for the placement of a student. Please see the District Gifted and Talented Handbook for information on the appeals process. The complaint process deals with alleged procedural compliance as outlined in the Strengthening Gifted and Talented Education Act. This process will yield no change to prior student placement decisions.**

\*Should the District be found to be in non-compliance with the Strengthening Gifted and Talented Education Act, remediation of the Gifted and Talented Program will take place.

### Complaint Process

Please note: The alleged noncompliance must have occurred within one year of filing the complaint.

- 1.) An individual who believes that a school district has not complied with the provisions of this Strengthening Gifted and Talented Education Act may file a complaint with the Superintendent.

The complaint shall include:

- The name, address, and contact information of the complainant; and
- A statement that the identified school district is not in compliance with the provisions of this act, and the specific facts on which the allegation of non-compliance is based.

- 2.) Based on the decision of the Superintendent to affirm, reject, or modify the District's action in the matter, the individual may file a petition of the appeal of the written decision of the Superintendent in



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the following order utilizing the same above-described format:

- Board of Education - Based on the decision of the Board of Education to affirm, reject, or modify the district's action in the matter, the individual may file a petition of appeal of the written decision; to
- Executive County Superintendent (investigation must be completed within 60 days) - Based on the decision of the Executive County Superintendent to affirm, reject, or modify the district's action in the matter, the individual may file a petition of the appeal of the written decision; to
- Commissioner of Education via Office of Controversies and Disputes in accordance with N.J.S.18A:6-9 and the procedures set forth in State Board of Education regulations.