

## GOALS OF THE GATE CLUSTER ADVISORY TASK FORCE

### CLUSTER ADVISORY TASK FORCE REPRESENTATIVES WILL:

1. Become familiar with the Standards for Gifted Education Programs established by Education Code 52202-52212;
2. Encourage the growth of strong elementary through secondary Cluster programs within feeder patterns which meet the needs of Cluster students within the attendance area;
3. Review Cluster policies, procedures, descriptions of the GATE Cluster Program and other statistical data to bring the programs into compliance with the Standards for Gifted Education Programs established by the Education Code;
4. Devise and implement an informal evaluation that assesses a Cluster program and its effectiveness in meeting the needs of the Cluster students within its feeder pattern;
5. Evaluate the feeder pattern's Cluster Accountability Design Plans and the schools GATE Plans 2004-2005, and review the GATE Program Models (A-D);
6. Improve and increase communication among Cluster site administrators, teachers, and parents within the Cluster feeder patterns and provide an opportunity to become more knowledgeable about and to visit the feeder Cluster schools;
7. Review the process of networking among teachers develop and support effective GATE team leaders and to build strong Cluster teams;
8. Identify the strengths and areas for improvement in the curriculum and instruction, and in meeting the social and emotional needs of Cluster students within your site Cluster program;
9. Identify, review, and recommend opportunities for Professional Development and Parent Involvement for Cluster teachers and parents;
10. Develop a regional plan to meet the needs of Cluster students in grades 3-12; and
11. Make recommendations to the Board of Education based on the findings of the Task Force.