## Creativity

**Definition:** Students identified in creativity demonstrate outstanding creativity. Creativity infuses in all areas: academic, arts, leadership, and beyond.

## **Common Characteristics:**

- Independent thinker, problem solver, inventor, or maker
- Exhibits original thinking in oral and/or written expression
- Comes up with several novel solutions to a given problem
- Possesses a unique sense of humor for their age
- Embraces being different from the crowd; unique
- □ Challenged by creative tasks
- □ Improvises often

## **Criteria for Identification:**

The following criteria will guide conversations about identifying gifted learners in creativity. These students may require a written Differentiated Education Plan [DEP]. Students will be identified as gifted in creativity based on a preponderance of evidence of the criteria below.

- □ Teacher's Observation of Potential in Students [TOPS]
- □ Modified Torrance Creativity Assessment (ages 6.0-11.11)
- □ Performance evidence (observations, work samples, portfolios, etc.)
- □ Parent/Teacher recommendation forms
- Letter(s) of recommendation from a third party
- □ Superior performance in local, state, or national contests/competitions
- □ Additional data as needed/appropriate

## **Potential Programming Implications:**

The learning needs of the student may be met through the following programming:

- □ Additional co-curricular opportunities
- □ Cluster grouping with high ability peers
- □ Curriculum Compacting opportunities
- Differentiated Learning opportunities based on needs, interests, and abilities
- Distance Learning (online) experiences
- □ Extension and enrichment opportunities
- □ Independent Study opportunities
- □ Project or Problem-Based Learning opportunities
- □ Tiered and/or modified assignments