

## **SUMMARY OF GIFTED FUNDING CHANGES UNDER THE OHIO EVIDENCED BASED MODEL**

- The gifted education support component is built on four factors:
  - Gifted identification factor at \$5 per ADM – fully funded in FY2010
  - Gifted coordinator factor funded at 1 per 2500 ADM at a level of \$66,375 for FY2010 and \$67,660 for FY2011 – no phase-in (about 670 coordinators) – fully funded in FY2010
  - Gifted intervention specialist (GIS) component funded at 1 GIS per organizational unit (roughly each elementary, middle school and high school) at the same level as the core teacher factor (\$56,902 for FY2010 and \$57,812 for FY2011). This component is phased-in at .2 in FY2010, .3 in FY2011, .4 in FY2012 and FY2013, .6 in FY2014 and FY2015, .8 in FY2016 and FY2017 and fully funded in FY2018. This factor is multiplied by the education challenge factor (ECF). This formula funds approximately 640 GIS in FY2010 and 960 GIS in FY2011. Each GIS is worth \$8688-\$18757 (depending on the district ECF) per GIS in FY2010 and \$8827 to \$19057 in FY2011.
  - Professional development funds (\$1833) for gifted intervention specialists phased in along with the GIS levels. The phased-in amount for gifted intervention specialists per organizational unit is \$366.60 in FY10 and \$549.90 in FY11.
- A separate amount of funding is available for Educational Service Center (ESC) gifted units at \$8.1 million. This funding is likely to be allocated in a similar fashion as FY2009 although there are no longer gifted units.
- No districts will be allowed coordinator and GIS funding if they do not submit annual gifted plans or if they fail to identify gifted students.
- Gifted funds will be accounted for separately for each of the expenditures on gifted identification, gifted coordinators, gifted intervention specialists, and gifted intervention specialist professional development. All districts must comply with the rules for this provision by July 1, 2011.
- The majority of funds will go for gifted staffing and services defined under the gifted operating standards with 15% of the GIS funding for grades 6 – 12 allowed for services not provided by a gifted intervention specialist (e.g. content and arts specialists).
- Districts that currently receive gifted unit funding either directly or through ESCs may spend no less than the amount they are currently receiving through unit funding. There is no waiver for this provision.
- ESCs must also spend the same amount of FY2009 gifted unit funding on gifted services. There is no waiver for this provision.
- Districts that did not receive gifted unit funding either directly or through an ESC may get a waiver for this biennium and possibly an additional year.
- Gifted funding is to be studied by the funding council.
- Funding for Summer Honors Institutes, including the Martin Essex program, is eliminated.
- Enrichment funds are not to be used for gifted services.
- A gifted performance indicator will be developed by the State Superintendent and approved by the State Board of Education.