

Bill of Rights for Parents of Gifted Children

You have a right to...

- 1** *patience and understanding on the part of friends, family, and educators with the unique parenting required for raising gifted children*
- 2** *not be accused of bragging when you share your child's achievements because it doesn't always come easily, even to the gifted*
- 3** *get support in the educational setting for your child's needs, even if the child is passing the state tests*
- 4** *have your child's exceptionalities accurately diagnosed and served*
- 5** *educational and mental health professionals who understand and are effectively trained in giftedness*
- 6** *not be the only person who is determined to make sure your child has the time & materials to explore his or her gifts fully*
- 7** *choose the best educational environment for your child without judgment from others, even if the best environment is home*
- 8** *expect your child to be physically, emotionally, and cognitively safe at school and in social situations*
- 9** *allow your child to not always have to be successful*
- 10** *celebrate your child's gifts without apology, hesitation, or fear*