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OFFICE OF GIFTED AND TALENTED EDUCATION
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Parents and/or Guardians of Gifted and Talented Students:

Welcome back to a new year at South Atlanta High School. Your student is among the 50 scholars at South Atlanta who have been previously identified as Gifted and Talented. We are excited to have such a large group of bright and motivated young people. This school year, the Gifted and Talented program at South Atlanta will be overseen by Ms. Reese and a team of gifted-certified teachers. We will collaborate with your child's teachers to ensure that they are challenged in ways that are appropriate to their abilities.

In elementary or middle school, your student may have been in a "challenge", pull-out program where they received special instruction in an alternative setting while other students remained in class. In high school, we meet our gifted students' needs for academic curiosity and autonomy, with increased rigor, advanced content, and faster paced instruction through our Honors and Advanced Placement (AP) courses. Teachers of Honors and AP courses are required to differentiate their instruction to meet the needs of the Gifted and Talented students. Our team of gifted teachers will work with your child to ensure the quality and appropriateness of differentiation for Gifted and Talented students.

Again this school year, South Atlanta will offer a Mentorship and Internship program specially designed to meet the needs of Gifted and Talented students. Gifted Mentorship/Internship is open to gifted-identified 11th and 12th grade students. The course provides an opportunity to leave campus and experience an internship in a professional setting during the Spring semester. If your child is interested in this course, please contact your counselor.

If your child is not currently identified as Gifted & Talented, and you would like them to be tested this school year, the parent referral period is August 1 – September 27, 2019. Please call the school 404.802.5000, to speak with the school counselor or to leave a message with Ms. Reese. You may also send an email to Ms. Reese (ashreese@atlanta.k12.ga.us).

Warm Regards,

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