<u>Miami View Elementary</u>

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Dear Parents,

This letter is a requirement of the Ohio Department of Education. The school district is mandated to inform you that based on the new gifted education guidelines enacted on July 1, 2017, Miami View Elementary no longer qualifies as a school that offers gifted "services".

We would like to share with you that we will continue to identify gifted students in cognitive, academic, creative, and artistic areas. We will also continue to offer a variety of enrichment opportunities to both identified gifted students as well as our higher level learners at Miami View. Gifted students, along with other selected students in grades 3 through 6, will participate in an enrichment period every day during the school week. Two days a week this enrichment period will consist of STEM based-instruction. Two other days will consist of a class period focused on the language arts. The fifth day will be centered on the students working on a creative project lesson.

Students always have the opportunity at Miami View to participate in the academic acceleration either by grade level or subject level. In addition, students that excel at Miami View in the language arts may be selected to participate in the Young Authors. Students who shine in the fine arts will have an opportunity to display their ability during the Festival of the Arts at Miami View in the spring of 2018. Students with an interest in music are encouraged to participate in our band program starting in the 4th grade.

Southeastern is committed to providing the best education possible to all of our students. The administration and staff will continue to participate in professional development programs specifically directed towards gifted programming, not only so we can be considered a school that offered gifted "services" but to challenge and enrich our gifted and higher level students. If you have further questions, please contact the school.

Sincerely,

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At the Junior High Level, gifted student may select to take high level courses starting in 8th grade in Algebra and in Physical Science. These classes are designed to challenging academic courses at a high school level where students may earn high school credit. Students interested in science and math are encouraged to participate in the science fair in both 7th and 8th grade.

Gifted and high achieving students in high school can take Advanced Placement courses at the high school level in Language Arts, Math, and History where a student can earn college credit should they test at a certain level. Advanced courses in Language Arts, Math, Science are also available for those that want to be challenged beyond a normal class setting. Students may also take courses through a local college/university and earn college credit toward their post-secondary education.