

Administrative Memo

Date: April 5, 2012

To: School Administrators

From: Margie Vandeven, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Quality Schools

Subject: QS-12-003 Gifted Education Foundation Formula Payment Adjustment Clause

As you are aware, **163.031.4 (7) (c), RSMo** requires the Department to do an annual desk audit of state approved gifted programs to verify that districts are continuing to serve at least 80% of the total number of gifted students as they were serving in the 2005-2006 school year. If your district had a gifted program in the 2005-2006 school year, your district's gifted education contact person will be receiving email notification indicating your current enrollment in gifted education. They need to take these steps to facilitate this desk audit:

1. Verify that the enrollment indicated is accurate or amend your October MOSIS Educator Course Assignment/caseload data to reflect the correct enrollment; and
2. Communicate to the Gifted Education Section what action has been taken.

After you have had an opportunity to verify and/or correct your data, the Gifted Education Section will communicate with your contact person whether or not the adjustment penalty will need to be implemented.

The Gifted Education web page contains links that will provide you with your gifted enrollment in the 2005-2006 school year, the amount of funding you received for gifted education in the 2005-2006 base year and a separate link that cites the language of **163.031.4 (7) (c), RSMo**.

<http://www.dese.mo.gov/divimprove/gifted/index.html>

If you have any questions, please contact David Welch, Director of Gifted Education Programs, at david.welch@dese.mo.gov or phone (573) 751-7754.