



# What is Second Grade Child Find?

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Dothan City Schools



# Why is SGCF required?

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**SGCF is a requirement each year in the state of Alabama on all second grade students in public schools. This is part of the Alabama Administrative Code 290-8-9.12(2)(c) which states that all second grade students will be observed as potential gifted referrals using a gifted behavior checklist provided by the State Department of Education.**

# What model does DCS follow?

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**Dothan City Schools does not follow a gifted model, but rather an enrichment model through the LinC program. High-end learners, in addition to gifted learners who may have been identified in another school system, are serviced through this program.**

# How do students qualify for the LinC program?

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SGCF takes place for 2nd grade students at the beginning of the fall semester with the resource/gifted specialist providing at least 6 different lessons in the second grade classrooms. The students create a product from the lessons. In January, the NNAT (Naglieri Nonverbal Ability Test) is administered to all second grade students by the resource/gifted specialist. The products from the six lessons, a behavioral checklist completed by the classroom teachers and other teachers, and the NNAT are used to identify students who may qualify for LinC services.

# LinC Eligibility continued...

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Parents of the 2nd grade students who have been referred based on their scores will receive a notification and consent form from the LinC Teacher where the student attends. Once the form is signed and returned, the LinC teacher will complete the referral compiling all scores on a state-approved matrix.

The Matrix includes:

Aptitude: Score taken from the NNAT Nonverbal Ability Test

Characteristics: Score taken from TABs: Traits, Aptitude, and Behaviors Scale.

Performance: 3 indicators taken from the following:  
standardized achievement, creative writing,  
transformations, figural analogies, and other products  
indicative of talent.

The matrix is used to identify 2nd grade students with the greatest need for enrichment services. Parents will be notified as to whether or not their child qualifies for the program by letter.