

Gifted Education: Identification

Identification

Looking for students with abilities that are:

- comparatively rare;
- emerge considerably earlier; and
- significantly more advanced than others of their same age, experience, or environment (Rogers, 2002).

and

students who can benefit from the specific services we are able to be provided.

Jacob K. Javits Gifted and Talented Students Education Act Definition

Talented and gifted students as those who give evidence of high performance capability in areas such as intellectual, creative, artistic, or leadership capacity or in specific academic fields.

Section 904. Education of Gifted and Talented Children -- Definitions.

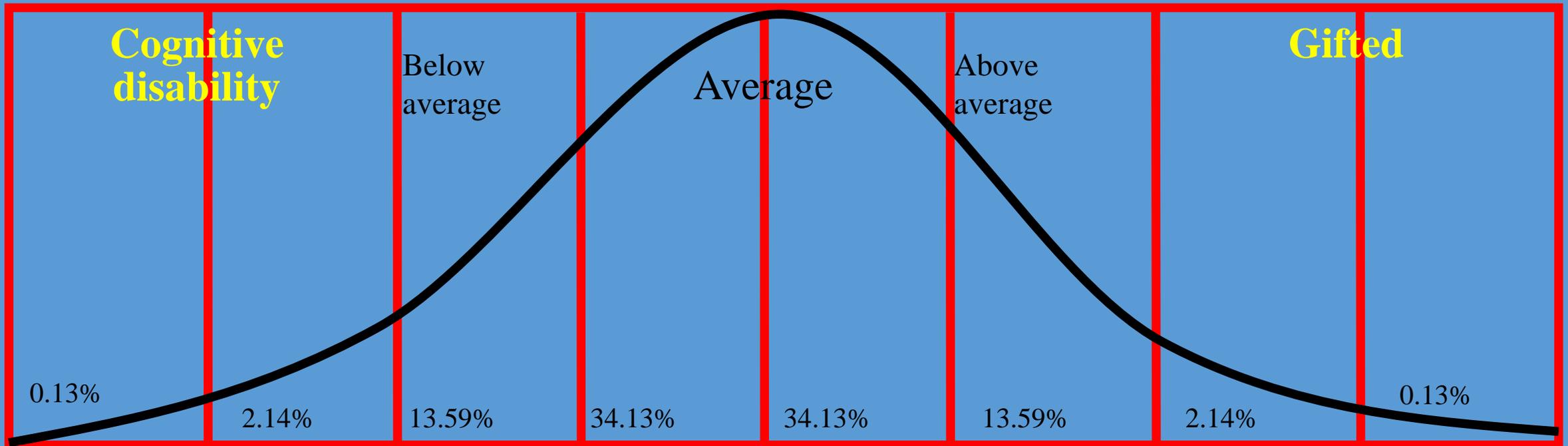
"Gifted and talented children" means those children identified at the preschool, elementary and secondary level as having demonstrated potential abilities of high performance capability and needing differentiated or accelerated education or services. For the purpose of this definition, "demonstrated abilities of high performance capability" means those identified students who score in the top three percent (3%) on any national standardized test of intellectual ability. Said definition may also include students who excel in one or more of the following areas:

1. creative thinking ability
2. leadership ability
3. visual performing arts ability
4. specific academic ability.

A school district shall identify children in capability areas by means of a multicriteria evaluation. Provided, with first and second grade level children, a local school district may utilize other evaluation mechanisms such as, but not limited to, teacher referrals in lieu of standardized testing measures

How Are Learners Different?

General Intellectual Functioning



Gifted: Students With Advanced Potential

Demonstrated high performance

- Prodigies
- Creative producers
- Above grade achievers



Supports (self, family, school)

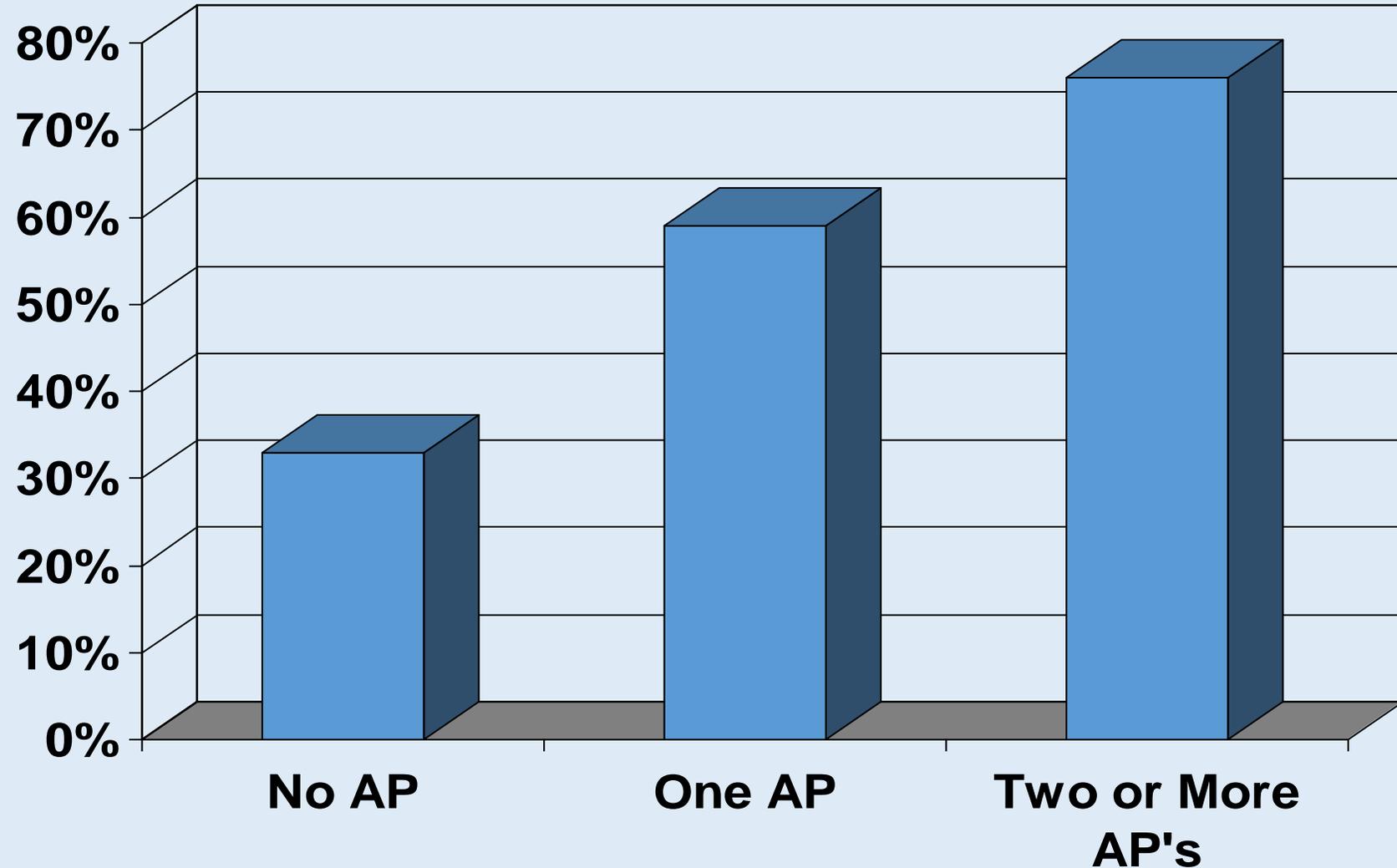


Inhibitors (self, family, school)

Underdeveloped performance

- Twice-exceptional
- Low-SES
- Culturally/linguistically diverse
- Underachievers

AP Indicator of College Completion



(Adelman, 1999, 2006)

Programming Options for Stillwater Public Schools

Elementary students:

Pull Out Program
Differentiated Curriculum
FLEX Classes
Independent Study
Interest Groups
Proficiency Based
Promotion
Summer Enrichment
Resource Rooms
Enrichment in Regular
Classroom
Duke Talent Search
Creative and Academic
Competitions

Middle School:

Pre- AP Math
Robotics
Band
Orchestra
SMS Singers
Duke Talent Search
Creative and
Academic
Competitions
Extended Studies
Stillwater Virtual
School

Junior High:

Pre- AP Classes
Advanced Classes
Gateway to Tech
Band
Orchestra
Creative and
Academic
Competitions
Advanced Studies
Stillwater Virtual
School

High School:

Pre- AP and AP classes
Concurrent with OSU and NOC
Band
Orchestra
Choral Singers
Creative and Academic
Competitions
Stillwater Virtual School