



## **EXPLANATION of STRENGTHS and FACTORS for NOMINATION of TSID STRENGTHS IDENTIFICATION**

### **CREATIVITY**

A creative individual has the ability to think divergently and conceptualize in abstract ways. S/he is the idea person.

1. Displays a great deal of curiosity.
2. Generates a large number of ideas or solutions.
3. Is a risk taker.
4. Is Innovative.
5. Displays a keen sense of humor.
6. Is nonconforming – accepts disorder.

### **LEADERSHIP**

A leader has the ability to lead self or others and s/he succeeds in what s/he sets out to do.

1. Is self-confident with children his/her own age and with adults.
2. Sees what needs to be done and takes steps to do it (has “vision”).
3. Can express self well.
4. Adapts readily to new situations.
5. Organizes or directs the activity in which she is involved.

### **GENERAL INTELLIGENCE**

An intellectually gifted individual is capable of being successful at almost anything s/he chooses to do. Intelligence may be demonstrated in verbal, non-verbal, and/or quantitative ways.

1. Possesses a large storehouse of information and has quick recall of facts.
2. Is a keen observer, seeing things others don't.
3. Has an advanced vocabulary and uses it appropriately.
4. Enjoys intellectual and complex tasks and concentrates for extended periods of time.
5. Is able to use higher level thinking skills of analysis, synthesis, and evaluation.
6. Easily grasps underlying principles and makes generalizations.
7. Asks provocative questions and tries to understand complex materials by reasoning and problem solving.

### **ACADEMICALLY TALENTED**

An academically talented individual:

1. Is very knowledgeable in a particular subject.
2. Becomes absorbed and involved in a particular subject or project.
3. Needs little external motivation.
4. Strives toward perfection.
5. Prefers independent work.

### **VISUAL AND/OR PERFORMING ARTS**

An individual gifted in visual or performing arts demonstrates exceptional potential or ability in music, art, or drama. *Please attach additional information to support nomination.*