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Ms. van Eeden Hill,

Thank you for your recent letter regarding the need for school districts to continue to provide gifted and talented educational services to students through remote instruction.

On August 24th, TEA updated guidance to school districts and frequently asked questions on our [COVID-19 webpage](#) regarding identifying students and providing gifted and talented instruction remotely.

As you know, House Bill 3 requires school districts to provide gifted and talented services to students that are identified by the district or else they are at risk of losing funding. These statutory requirements for districts are no different for the students they will serve on-campus or remotely this school year.

Thank you again for your letter. I appreciate you reaching out to me on matters that are important to you and your organization.

Sincerely,



Mike Morath
Commissioner of Education