



STATE OF ALABAMA  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



Eric G. Mackey, Ed.D.  
State Superintendent of Education

June 12, 2026

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** City and County Superintendents of Education

**FROM:** Eric G. Mackey *EGM*  
State Superintendent of Education

**RE:** Gifted Regional Training 2026

The Alabama State Department of Education, Special Education Services, Gifted Section, will provide nine face-to-face training sessions for gifted coordinators and specialists during August 2026. The sessions will provide information regarding gifted updates, the gifted compliance and continuous improvement process, utilizing PowerSchool Special Programs for gifted forms and reports, and appropriate curriculum for gifted students.

Each face-to-face training session will follow the schedule below:

8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. *Gifted Updates*  
*PowerSchool Special Programs-Gifted*  
*Data & State Reporting*  
*Compliance & Continuous Improvement*

12:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. *Affective Programming/Bibliotherapy*  
*Encouraging Creativity in the Classroom*

Participants may register for a training session through PowerSchool Professional Learning online. The course number is **253142**. Each participant must meet the registration deadline to attend a training session. The deadline for registration is one week prior to the date of each session.

The location for each training session is attached along with the directions for registration.

Please contact Mrs. AlFreda Pruitt or Mrs. Ashley Strickland at (334) 694-4782 if you need additional information.

EGM/AP/TZK

Attachment

cc: City and County Special Education Coordinators  
City and County Gifted Coordinators  
Mrs. Angela Martin  
Mrs. Shanthia Washington  
Dr. DaLee Chambers  
Mrs. Patrice Harvill  
Mrs. AlFreda Pruitt  
Mrs. Ashley Strickland

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## GIFTED REGIONAL TRAINING REGISTRATION

Participants can register for a training session through PowerSchool Professional Learning online. To register for a training session, each participant will need to click on the Section # under the preferred training date.

**August 7, 2026**

Enterprise City Schools Service Center  
1648 East Park Avenue (Highway 84)  
Enterprise, AL 36330  
(334) 347-6867

**Section # [557587](#)**

**August 10, 2026**

**Session Option 1**

Alabama State Department of Education  
1800 International Park Drive, Suite 400  
Birmingham, AL 35243  
(334) 694-4717

**Section # [557588](#)**

**August 11, 2026**

**Session Option 2**

Alabama State Department of Education  
1800 International Park Drive, Suite 400  
Birmingham, AL 35243  
(334) 694-4717

**Section # [557592](#)**

**August 13, 2026**

Shelby County Instructional Services  
Center Auditorium  
601 1st Street South  
Alabaster, AL 35007  
(205) 682-5908

**Section # [557552](#)**

**August 18, 2026**

Troy University – Montgomery  
Whitley Hall's Gold Room -2nd Floor  
231 Montgomery Street  
Montgomery, AL 36104  
(334) 241-9500

**Section # [557586](#)**

**August 19, 2026**

Tuscaloosa County Board of Education  
The Community Room  
1118 Greensboro Avenue

Tuscaloosa, AL 35401

(205) 748-0411

**Section # [557583](#)**

**August 25, 2026**

Marshall County Technical Center  
12312 U.S. Highway 431 South  
Guntersville, AL 35976  
(256) 582-8294

**Section # [557576](#)**

**August 26, 2026**

Athens State University Ballroom  
300 North Beaty Street  
Athens, AL 35611  
(256) 233-6574

**Section # [557575](#)**

**August 28, 2026**

Central Office Satellite  
Loxley Auditorium  
1091 B Avenue  
Loxley, AL 36551  
(251) 972-6858

**Section # [557571](#)**