## Penns Grove High School Gifted and Talented Program

Dear students and parents/guardians,

Upon the start of the 2022-2023 school year, Penns Grove High School's Gifted and Talented Program will be accepting applications and nominations. The New Jersey Administrative Code defines gifted and talented students as:

Those students who possess or demonstrate high levels of ability, in one or more content areas when compared to their chronological peers in the local district and who require modification of their education program if they are to achieve in accordance with their capabilities.

All students interested in participating in the Gifted and Talented Program **must apply**, regardless of prior participation. Specific criteria will be used for selecting members, which will be as follows:

- Qualifications which correlate to the New Jersey Administrative Code
   (high test scores, above average grades, exceptional portfolios or bodies of work, ability
   to lead, high level of creative and technical problem solving, strong communication
   skills, demonstration of thoughtfulness and inquiry, etc)
- Recommendations and references
- A satisfactory disciplinary record
- Active participation in previous years (for re-applicants)

Nominations are an integral part of the selection process. Any teacher, administrator, parent/guardian, guidance counselor, etc. may nominate a student currently enrolled in grades 9 through 12 by completing a nomination form. These forms can be attained at the high school from Ms. Brown. Students who are nominated will be asked to complete an application form.

All applications and nomination forms are due to Ms. Brown by **Friday, September 30th, 2022.** Thank you for your interest in our program and we look forward to another exciting and productive year!

Sincerely,

Ms. Kelsey Brown
Gifted and Talented Coordinator