

**FINDLAY CITY SCHOOLS
APPLICATION FOR ACCELERATION OF STUDENT**

Please Print

Date _____

Student's Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Current School _____ Current Grade _____

Parent(s) Name _____ Home Language _____

Address _____ Home Phone _____

City/State/Zip _____ Cell Phone _____

Email Address _____

Referred by _____ Title _____

The Findlay City Schools Board of Education believes that all students, including advanced learners, should be challenged and supported to reach their full potential. For many advanced learners, this can best be achieved by affording them access to curriculum, learning environments, and instructional interventions more commonly provided to older peers.

If you feel your child may meet the criteria for acceleration, please mark the appropriate area.

_____ **Early Entrance to Kindergarten or First Grade:** The practice of admitting a student to kindergarten or first grade who has not yet reached the typical age at which students are admitted to kindergarten or first grade for the purpose of providing access to appropriately challenging learning opportunities. Please return this form to Findlay City Schools, Student Services Office, 2019 Broad Avenue, Findlay, OH 45840. **YOU MUST COME TO THE OFFICE TO PICK UP AN APPLICATION TO BEGIN THE PROCESS FOR EARLY ENTRANCE TO KINDERGARTEN OR FIRST GRADE.** Children who are referred sixty or more days prior to the start of school shall be evaluated in advance of the school year.

_____ **Whole-Grade Acceleration:** The practice of assigning a student to a higher grade level than is typical given the student's age on a full-time basis for the purpose of providing access to appropriately challenging learning opportunities. Please return this form, if requesting Whole-Grade Acceleration to Judy Withrow, Coordinator of Gifted Services, Findlay City Schools, 2019 Broad Avenue, Findlay, OH 45840.

_____ **Individual Subject Acceleration:** The practice of assigning a student to a higher grade level than is typical given the student's age for the purpose of providing access to appropriately challenging learning opportunities in one or more subject areas. Please return this form, if requesting Individual Subject Acceleration, to Judy Withrow. See above address under Whole-Grade Acceleration.

_____ **Early High School Graduation:** The practice of facilitating completion of the high school program in fewer than four years for the purpose of beginning a post high school career path.

The following items must accompany this form for Early Graduation.

- 1) The Findlay High School Request for Early Graduation Form;
- 2) A letter of request from the student to graduate early, indicating the reasons for the request as well as the target graduation date (due by May 1, preceding the graduation year);
- 3) A letter from parents indicating their permission for their adolescent to graduate early from Findlay High School.

PLEASE RETURN TO THE STUDENT'S FHS COUNSELOR IF REQUESTING EARLY HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION.

For questions concerning any area of Acceleration of Advanced Student listed above, contact Judy Withrow, Coordinator of Gifted Services, Findlay City Schools at 419-425-8296.

Referring Person's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent's Signature _____ Date _____

Relationship to Student _____