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## What Does Gifted Education Mean to Me

Gifted education has not only changed the way I feel about school, but it has also helped me grow as a person. In this this essay, I will discuss how gifted education has helped me become a better learner, communicator, and how it has greatly increased my confidence.

In the beginning of the school year, I was a strong reader, writer, and mathematician, but gifted education has helped me become even better at all these subjects. In my homeroom class I didn't feel challenged by the work I was doing, but when I was enrolled in Gifted education I finally felt where I belonged. What really helped me grow as a learner was the type of feedback I received from Mrs. Anderson. Mrs. Anderson didn't just tell me I was wrong but she told me how to think differently about the problem.

Before I participated in Gifted education, I was very shy, but ever since I joined, I have been able to speak up when I have something to share and say no when I want to say no. For example, during class in gifted education if a student didn't want to share their essay with the class they didn't have to. Also, if a student wanted to make commentary about the assignment it was always heard and listened to with an open mind.

In gifted education I work with a small group of kids, at first it was nerve-racking to work in such a group, but actually working with other students helped me realize that I'm not the only person to make mistakes. As a group we sometimes have to work together and problem solve on certain question or topics; Working, with a group of students helped me with my social skills very greatly. On my first day of gifted education, I received a warm welcome, a gift bag, and even some complements! This helped me feel safe and more confident in gifted education.

To summarize this essay on what gifted education means to me I think gifted education is a fun, safe, and challenging place to learn. By receiving feedback from Mrs. Anderson and my classmates, I have become a better learner. Through smaller class size and the ability to share my thoughts and opinions freely I have become better at communicating. The openness, sharing, and acceptance from other students has helped me gain confidence. All of the reasons above are why gifted education is so important to me.