

This issue is of personal interest to me because it affects our family. We have gifted kids struggling to keep up with normal school work as the giftedness has not been recognized and not appropriately addressed by the school in the very young years. The problem results in devastating underachievement that has consequences for our daily life as a family: unhappy kids having difficulty making friends and not enjoying school as they should. Not reaching their potential academically, socially and struggling with general happiness leads to frustration and no confidence. Every child should have the right to feel safe and be seen and heard no matter if they form part of a minority of divergent thinkers. The high potential of underachievers is a big loss for the individual, the family and society as a whole. Please help parents and teachers struggling with gifted achieving and underachieving children providing professional help in form of teacher training in giftedness, resources, engaging courses for kids and informative courses for parents. Tackling this problem would lead to the improvement of society as a whole as these children with the right care at school have the potential to grow up into future problem solvers who can make a change. Thank you.