

## **Characteristics of Gifted/ADHD Youth**

- Inattentiveness
- Impulsive/hyperactive conduct
- Eagerness
- Compassion
- Fidgetiness
- Minimal need of sleep
- Strong-mindedness since early childhood
- Difficulty with lengthy assignments

### **Screening and Identification Procedures for Gifted/ADHD Youth**

- Examine student portfolio
- Look for evidence of outstanding talents outside the school setting
- Have parents, teachers, and student complete behavior rating scales specific to ADD/ADHD population
  - *School Situations Questionnaire-Revised*(This can be obtained at <http://www.thekidsclinic.com/homeschoolprograms.pdf>.)

### **Instructional Strategies for Gifted/ADHD Youth**

- Incorporate cooperative learning activities that allow the student to take a leadership role
- Teach organizational skills
- Stress appropriate social skills
- Utilize communication sheets with parents
- Create short, intellectually challenging activities
- Provide hands-on kinesthetic activities
- Differentiate the curriculum