

**281—59.7(257) Responsibilities of the department.**

**59.7(1)** The department shall provide forms to local education agencies for gifted and talented program proposals. These materials shall be provided not fewer than 45 days before programs are due for approval. The department shall also provide other forms, or outlines as specified in this chapter.

**59.7(2)** The department shall provide technical assistance to local education agencies and to area education agencies in the development of gifted and talented programs.

**59.7(3)** The department shall perform gifted and talented program review and approval.

**59.7(4)** The department shall develop a format for a gifted and talented annual report. This gifted and talented report is to be filed by local education agencies with the department within 45 days following the close of the school year or program.