## Mathews Local Schools Student Acceleration Policy for Advanced Learners

This policy is for Academic Acceleration.

**Acceleration Defined:** Any educational intervention that permits students to progress through school at faster rates or at an earlier age than expected.

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.

**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.

**Early Admission to Kindergarten**: The practice of admitting a student to kindergarten who has not yet reached the typical age at which students are admitted to kindergarten for the purpose of providing access to appropriately challenging learning opportunities.

**Early High School Graduation:** The practice of facilitating completion of the high school program in fewer than four years for the purpose of providing earlier than typical access to post-secondary educational opportunities.

**Mathews Local Schools** accepts referrals from parents, students, teachers, gifted coordinator, pediatricians and psychologists. Please complete an acceleration referral form.