TYPE 3 THE UNDERGROUND

FEELINGS and ATTITUDES

- · Desire to belong socially
- Feel unsure and pressured
- Conflicted, guilty and insecure
- Unsure of their right to their emotions
- Diminished sense of self
- Ambivalent about achievement
- Internalise and personalise societal ambiguities and conflicts
- View some achievement behaviours as betrayal of their social group

BEHAVIOURS

- Devalue, discount or deny talent
- · Drops out of GT and advanced classes
- · Rejects challenges
- · Moves from one peer group to the next
- Not connected to the teacher or the class
- Unsure of direction

NEEDS

- Freedom to make choices
- · Conflicts to be made explicit
- Learn to code switch
- Gifted peer group network
- Support for abilities
- Role models who cross cultures
- Self-understanding and acceptance
- An audience to listen to what they have to say (to be heard)

IDENTIFICATION

- Interviews
- Parent nominations
- Teacher nominations
- Be cautious with peer nominations
- Demonstrated performance
- Measures of creative potential
- Nonverbal measure of intelligence

ADULT & PEER PERCEPTIONS

- Viewed as leaders or unrecognised
- Seen as average and successful
- Perceived to be compliant
- Seen as quiet/shy
- Seen as unwilling to risk
- Viewed as resistant

HOME SUPPORT

- Cultural brokering
- · Normalise their dissonance
- · College and career planning
- Provide gifted role models
- Model lifelong learning
- Give freedom to make choices
- Normalise the experience
- Don't compare with siblings
- Provide cultural brokering
- Built multicultural appreciation

SCHOOL SUPPORT

- Frame the concepts as societal phenomena
- Welcoming learning environments
- Provide role models
- Help develop support groups
- Open discussions about class, racism, sexism
- Cultural brokering
- Direct instruction of social skills
- · Teach the hidden curriculum
- Provide college planning
- · Discuss costs of success