



Exceptional Student Services Unit

Gifted Education State Advisory Committee: Vacancies for the Term 2019-2022

The Gifted Education State Advisory Committee (GE-SAC) is seeking applications from individuals interested in providing input about issues and strengths in gifted education. The GE-SAC also discusses timely topics with CDE staff to determine impact on gifted students and families and to make recommendations. The Gifted Education State Advisory Committee is a council of citizens appointed by the State Board of Education. GE-SAC provides the State Board of Education recommendations and information about ongoing and emergent needs related to the education of gifted learners.

Place of residence determines the applicant's Congressional District for representation on GE-SAC. Applications are specific to open positions by Congressional District and role in a given year. Vacancies for the term 2019-2022 are for representation from the following Congressional Districts:

Open positions according to representative role are in the following Congressional Districts:

- District 4 - Community
- District 6 - Parent (with student(s) in P-12)
- District 7 - Community

To determine your Congressional District of residence enter your home address in the Search CO address: <http://colorado.hometownlocator.com/maps/congressional-districts.cfm>

Timeline and Application

Applications are due March 1, 2019: <http://www.cde.state.co.us/gt/councomm>

Stakeholders interested in being considered for an appointment to the GE-SAC should submit information that includes **1)** the application, and **2)** a brief resume or brief biography. Please email this information by March 1, 2019 to both addresses listed below:

Diane Barranco
Office of Gifted Education
Colorado Department of Education
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Please copy your e-mail to:
Kaye Wergedal – Membership Committee Chair
kwergy@gmail.com

Process

Applications will be reviewed by the GE-SAC membership committee. A list of recommended appointments and documentation of submitted biographies and resumes are reviewed. The State Board of Education approves final appointments to the Gifted Education State Advisory Committee. The complete process takes several months. Applicant candidates are welcome to attend GE-SAC meetings prior to the appointment as a GE-SAC guest to learn more about the advisory committee. Note that attendance at GE-SAC meetings does not guarantee the appointment granted by the State Board of Education.

GE-SAC Description

The Gifted Education Colorado State Advisory Committee (GE-SAC) was created by the Colorado State Board of Education (SBE) in 1984 to assist in the improvement of gifted education. The GE-SAC provides advice and makes recommendations to the SBE concerning all aspects of gifted and talented student education.

The GE-SAC meets four times per year, typically from 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. in the Denver metro area. Subcommittees of the GE-SAC may hold additional meetings. Members are reimbursed for travel costs. Meeting dates are typically on a Thursday in September, December, February and May. A retreat date is scheduled annually in the first part of June.

Members of the GE-SAC are appointed by the SBE and must:

- reside in the Colorado congressional district for which they apply and represent
- represent a particular role - a parent, educator from K-12 or higher education, school or district administrator, education official, business person or community representative, or student. The military representative must be from a school district receiving military impact aid.
- possess a strong interest in the education of gifted and talented students
- have a background of involvement and understanding of gifted students and their education
- be willing and able to serve a three-year term
- attend and participate in GE-SAC committee meetings

