



# Ohio's Brightest Need Your Support

## Did you know...

- Gifted children have varied emotional, social, and academic needs. Over 18% of Ohio's children are identified gifted in one or more of seven categories.
- Gifted children come from all socio-economic and racial groups- there are more disadvantaged gifted children than wealthy gifted children.
- Many gifted children have mastered up to 85% of the curriculum in one or more of the five core subject areas before their school year begins. Yet gifted children spend all or more of their school day in the heterogeneous general education classroom with a general education teacher.
- Gifted children are at a greater risk for underachievement- without appropriate challenges gifted students are likely to regress.
- Most elementary public school teachers and administrators have no specific training in gifted education.
- While gifted identification is legally mandated, services for gifted students are not.

## Benefits of OAGC Teacher Division Membership

### Mentorship

- ✓ New teacher support from experienced gifted educators
- ✓ Sharing of ideas and resources

### Advocacy

- ✓ Updates on federal and state legislature affecting gifted education
- ✓ A collective voice for gifted students



### Networking

- ✓ Network with teachers state-wide

### Conference Benefits

- ✓ Presentations for new teachers from experienced gifted educators
- ✓ Discounts on annual statewide conference
- ✓ Yearly teacher academies and resources

### Professional Development

- ✓ Leadership opportunities
- ✓ Earn credit for classes toward certification or renewal of IPDP plan

## OAGC Organization

### General Membership

*(Benefits listed on adjacent page)*  
 In addition to general membership, you may join a division suited to your needs:

**Teacher Division:** Gifted advocacy, newsletter, mentors, teacher support, teacher conference, leadership opportunities, committees, professional resources, mini grants

**Parent Division:** Gifted advocacy, email updates, parent support, mentoring program, outreach programs, leadership opportunities, affiliate group guidance, toy and book lists, committees, Parent Resource Fair

**Higher Education:** Gifted advocacy, professional support, leadership opportunities, research opportunities, gifted training programs

**Coordinator Division:** Gifted advocacy, newsletter, coordinator listserv, email updates, Q&A site, mentors, coordinator workshops, leadership opportunities, committees, ODE Updates, division member support

**Please send the member application on the opposite side of this flap with your**

**payment to:**

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