

# WCASD Parent Advisory Committee for Gifted Education

Dear parents and guardians,

We invite you to join our group, the Parent Advisory Committee for Gifted Education (“Gifted PAC”). The Gifted PAC is a parent-led volunteer organization dedicated to supporting gifted education in the West Chester Area School District (WCASD). In essence, we are the PTO for the gifted education program. In cooperation with teachers, administrators, and students, we serve as a resource for families and we advocate for the best possible gifted education program across WCASD.

**Your participation is critical!** A visible and active PAC alerts the school district to the strong support we know parents have for the continued success of the program. By joining the Gifted PAC, you provide much needed support for the following initiatives:

- ◆ Our **Teacher/Classroom Grant program** provides direct support to our students and their Gifted Resource Teachers. Past grants have provided funding for gifted education programs, classroom supplies, and teacher professional development and conferences.
- ◆ Our annual **Gifted PAC Scholarship Fund** awards \$1000 to two graduating seniors from each WCASD high school. Scholarships are awarded at our final meeting of the year.
- ◆ Our **Speaker Series** program provides free informational sessions from experts in the field of gifted education, an invaluable resource for families navigating the world of raising gifted children.
- ◆ Our **End of Year Celebration** provides an opportunity for gifted students and teachers from across the district to highlight their projects and accomplishments.
- ◆ Last but not least, our **Annual PAC Craft Fair** is one of the longest-running and most successful Craft Fairs in Chester County! As our only fundraiser, the Craft Fair is not only critical to our mission, but also a fun opportunity for our community to come together. **Mark your calendars for Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> from 10 am – 3 pm at East High School!**

To find out more about what we do and to get involved, please join us at our monthly meetings. **Our first meeting of the year will be held on Thursday, September 20 at 6:30 PM in the auditorium at Stetson Middle School.** We look forward to a productive year and we thank you for your generous support!

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## 2018-2019 PAC Membership Form

(Please print neatly, especially your e-mail address)

Student's name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

School(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Dues of \$15.00 per family support program initiatives. Cash or check **payable to WCASD Gifted PAC.**

Please mail form and checks to: **Nancy Wood, 300 Shropshire Dr, West Chester, PA 19382**

**Attn: PAC Membership**

**Online payment link: <https://paypal.me/GiftedPAC>**