

CALL FOR AWARD NOMINATIONS
Celebrating Gifted and Talented Education
in Maryland

Wednesday, February 24, 2010, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Miller Senate Building, Annapolis

The Maryland State Advisory Council on Gifted and Talented Education is seeking nominations for awards in the following categories:

1. State Leadership in Gifted and Talented Education
2. Student Accomplishment in Gifted and Talented Education
3. Outstanding Educators in Gifted and Talented Education
 - o Teachers
 - o Program Coordinators
 - o School or School System Administrators
4. Business and Community Leaders that Support Gifted and Talented Education

Please **review the criteria for each award** and include a brief explanation as to **how the person meets the criteria** for nomination. You may submit a nomination in more than one more category; **however**, the Council's goal is to honor **recipients representing each school system** across the state who have not received an award in the last three years.

Please complete the attached **Nomination Form** and **Contact Information Form** and return it to:

JEANNE PAYNTER by Wednesday, January 6, 2010.

Fax 410-333-1146 or email jpaynter@msde.state.md.us

Maryland State Department of Education
Maryland State Advisory Council on Gifted and Talented Education

Celebrating Gifted Education NOMINATION FORM

Person completing this form:
School System/Organization:

AWARD CATEGORY AND CRITERIA	EXPLANATION FOR NOMINATION
1. State Leadership in Gifted and Talented Education	Name: System/Organization:
<p><i>Please reference the bulleted criteria in your explanation. All criteria must be met to qualify.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The person has demonstrated leadership in gifted and talented education at the <u>state and/or national level.</u> <input type="checkbox"/> The person has made <u>significant contributions to improving programs and services</u> for gifted and talented students in Maryland. 	

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2. Student Accomplishment Nominee	Name: School:
<p><i>Please reference the bulleted criteria in your explanation. All criteria must be met to qualify.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The student <u>performs at remarkably high levels when compared with peers</u> in specific academic areas, creativity, visual or performing arts, or leadership. <input type="checkbox"/> The student is the <u>current recipient of a local, state, or national award or competition</u> in the student's area of giftedness (Please specify). <input type="checkbox"/> The student <u>participated in a gifted and talented program</u> or other advanced level opportunity in the area of giftedness. 	

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3.a. Outstanding Educator Nominee – <u>Teacher As Leader</u>	Name: School:
<p><i>Please reference the bulleted criteria in your explanation. All criteria must be met to qualify.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The teacher works <u>directly with identified gifted and talented students.</u> <input type="checkbox"/> The teacher <u>pursues ongoing professional development</u> in the field of GT education: graduate courses, workshops, conferences, etc. <input type="checkbox"/> The teacher <u>demonstrates peer leadership in GT education:</u> providing professional development, writing curriculum, leading co-curricular or community outreach activities. 	
3.b. Outstanding Educator Nominee- <u>Program Coordinator</u>	Name: School System:
<p><i>Please reference the bulleted criteria in your explanation. All criteria must be met to qualify.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The coordinator has made <u>significant contributions to expanding and improving programs and services</u> for gifted and talented students in the school system. <input type="checkbox"/> The coordinator has shown <u>leadership in gifted and talented education</u> at the state and/or national level. 	

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3c. Outstanding Educator Nominee- <u>School or School System</u> <u>Administrator</u>	Name: School System:
<p><i>Please reference the bulleted criteria in your explanation. All criteria must be met to qualify.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Administrator shows <u>leadership in expanding/improving programs and services</u> for gifted and talented students in the school or school system. <input type="checkbox"/> Administrator <u>allocates resources</u> (time, people, money) to expand and improve gifted and talented education programs and services. <input type="checkbox"/> Administrator leads the expansion or improvement of <u>parent, community, and/or business partnerships</u> that directly support the education of gifted and talented students. 	
4. Business and Community Leadership in Gifted and Talented Education	Name: Organization:
<p><i>Please reference the bulleted criteria in your explanation. All criteria must be met to qualify.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The leader provides <u>direct resources to support the education of students</u> who are gifted and talented: mentorships, scholarships, etc. <input type="checkbox"/> The leader provides direct services to students by <u>coordinating or managing an educational program</u> that meets the needs of gifted and talented students. <input type="checkbox"/> The leader <u>advocates for the expansion and improvement of programs</u> and services for gifted and talented students. 	

PLEASE COMPLETE THE CONTACT INFORMATION PAGE!

We will contact the awardee directly by mail and will email a copy of the letter to the nominator.

It is the responsibility of the awardee and/or the nominator to inform principals, supervisors, and others about the award and the award reception.

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CONTACT INFORMATION FORM
Please Print Clearly or Type

Person completing this form:	
School/School System:	
Email:	Day Telephone:

Award Nominee Contact Information: Complete all fields as applicable.

Award Category	
Name	
School System/Organization:	
School:	Principal:
Mailing Address for Nominee (Provide home address for students)	

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School System/Organization:	
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