

## **Warren County Consortium for Student Enrichment: Fall Articulation**

September 21, 2020 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. via ZOOM virtual platform

### AGENDA

#### **Welcome, Introductions, & Announcements**

- **Executive Board transitions**  
Stepping down: Vickie Demerast, Maggie Devine  
Joining: Jennifer Mazziotta-Walter, Kim Reber  
Changes in Officers:
  - Caralee Gately added as Webmaster
  - Connie Drake O'Brien transitioned to Liaison to NJAGC

*Kristen reviewed the Consortium structure and programming/events.  
Open for participation in Executive Board.*

*Review of last year's events and inclusion of hybrid model.*

- **NJAGC Conference**, Connie is the Conference Chair.
  - March 19, 2021
  - Presenter portal is now open
  - Hybrid format - prepared for IRL, blended, or all-remote
- As we plan this year's schedule, dates to keep in mind:
  - *NJSLA (gr 3-6) \_\_\_\_\_; NJ Sci (gr 5) \_\_\_\_\_*

#### **Treasurer's Report**

All member schools are in good standing per the close of 2019-20.

June 2020 Closing Balance \$7900 (outstanding bills less than \$500, still awaiting invoice).

Registration fee \$300/year per school district

THIS YEAR: programming grants available (to be discussed later in agenda)

#### **SURVEY RESULTS - What do our members most need now?** - Bobbi Weinstein

1. How to meet needs with changing school structures and schedules
2. How to meet requirements of new law

*Barbara reviewed the results.*

## NEW LAW: Strengthening Gifted Education: Message from Connie

**GT Service Report Portal:** Per the Strengthening Gifted and Talented Education Act (N.J.S.A. 18A:34-39), local education agencies (LEAs) are required to file a service report with the State Gifted and Talented Education Services Coordinator by October 1, 2020. The service report, and any supporting documentation, must be submitted via the [NJDOE Homeroom](#) portal; do not email the report to the Gifted mailbox. Please contact your Gifted & Talented coordinator to ensure that the information is submitted in the required time. Note: student and staff data are collected in NJSMART and not in the service report.

**GT Resources:** The Strengthening Gifted and Talented Education Advisory Council (SGTEAC) subcommittees have pulled together a plethora of resources to assist educators and parents with gifted students during distance learning, as well as resources to support LEAs with implementing the NJ Law. The pictograph can be found on the [New Jersey Association for Gifted Children's](#) site;

Do not hesitate to email [gifted@doe.nj.gov](mailto:gifted@doe.nj.gov) if you have any questions.

Review of NJAGC website.

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

**WCCSE leaders/members can support one another in meeting the requirements of this law.**

**Volunteers to work on this initiative?**

**A committee has been put together to create PD prior to Oct. 1 state deadline.**

## PROGRAMS - Transition to VIRTUAL Model

**Young Writers' Competition 2020-21...committee of \_\_\_?**

*(Several committee members' responsibilities have shifted for this year)*

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>Grades</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Coordinator</u>
<b>Convocation - Grades 6/7</b> _____?	6,7	May?	
<b>WCCSE Video Expo &amp; Competition</b> ZOOM <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Open up to non-member school on fee basis</li></ul>	K ...8	May	Kristin Baker
<b>Year Game 2021 - Gr 4-8</b> FLIPGRID	4,5,6,7,8	Dec - Feb	Kristin Baker

<b>Legos on the Loose/Invention - Grade 3</b> ZOOM OR FLIPGRID?			
<b>Family Day 2021... ?</b> Possible date .... March 2021			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Matthew Zakreski as keynote. "When emotional intensity and cognitive rigidity collide." Social/Emotional and Twice Exceptional.</li> <li>• Walt Frasier Improv Comedy for kids' presentations</li> </ul>			

<b>Debate Grades 5-8</b> ZOOM W/ BREAKOUT ROOMS? Over several sessions? (HS judges, Teachers as room chaperones)	5,6,7,8	Dec ?	Kristin Baker Christine Drevitch Alyssa Eisner?? Maggie (judges ??)
<b>Battle of the Minds <math>\frac{5}{8}</math> -Kahoot style game?</b>	5,6	Nov ?	Jennifer Mazziotta-Walter
<b>Battle of Minds 7/8</b>	7,8	Nov ?	Maggie Devine
<b>Battle of the Books <math>\frac{3}{4}</math> - Will be held.</b>	3,4	April ?	Caralee Gately
<b>Battle of the Books <math>\frac{5}{8}</math> - Will be held</b>	5,6	April ?	Bill Nutt?
<b>Battle of the Books <math>\frac{7}{8}</math> - ?</b>	7,8	April-May TBD	Alyssa Eisner
<b>Chess Tournament - K - 6 Not sure if this can happen. LiChess online.</b>  Can this be virtual? Over several weeks?	K ...6	March?	Mike Micucci (Via Barb Weinstein)
<b>Chess Tournament - <math>\frac{7}{8}</math></b>  Can this be virtual? Over several weeks?	7,8	Feb?	Caralee Gately?
<b>Northwest NJ K-8 Regional Chess Championship</b> Not WCCE event; registration \$\$ fees apply		June? TBD	Who can share info?
<b>Robotics - Grades K-8 - Jennifer to talk to Adam</b>	K ...8	March ?	Christine

Two divisions, variety of robots. No RC. ???			Drevitch Jen.Mazz.- Walter
<b>Spelling Bee</b> <sup>5/6</sup> ??	5,6	Feb ?	Stephanie Condon?
<b>Pringles Project</b> <b>This will happen</b>	flexible	Feb matching	Barb Weinstein?
<b>Marvelous Math - Gr 2 Not sure how this will work</b> <i>Can this be virtual?</i>	2	Jan ?	Tracy Kinsey ?
<b>Math-a-Magicians - Gr 3 - Not sure how this will work</b> <i>Can this be virtual?</i>	3	Dec?	Vickie Demerast
<b>Mind-Nastics - Gr 4 - Possibly virtual</b> <i>Can this be virtual?</i>	4	Oct. 30 ?	Kim Reber?Caral ee Gately?
<b>Phabulous Physics - Gr 3/4 Looking into getting this done.</b> <i>Rollercoaster Derby - Gr 4</i> <i>CRASH - Gr 3</i>  <i>Either Zoom or FlipGrid</i>	3,4	March	Kristin Baker
<b>Strategic Thinking Day - Gr 5 - Shorter session.</b> <b>Mastermind.</b> <i>From spring minutes: "Get away from STEM and work on Strategic thinking."</i> <i>Can this be virtual?</i>	5	March?	Rebecca Snyder?

### ***New program initiatives?***

GeoBee - Bobbi Weinstein

### **PROGRAM GRANTS**

- Funds are available due to unspent funds from 2019-20
- Executive Bd proposes grants of up to \$500 per district to be available until funds are depleted
- Grants must be used for gifted/enrichment programming needs
- Grant applications are subject to approval; Loren is developing the application

**Action? Motion to approve from Caralee. Kelly seconds. There will be grants of up to \$500 for gifted and talented needs from any Consortium member - until funds are depleted. Loren is developing the application.**

**Additional topics for discussion**

**Spring Meeting - Wednesday, May 6.**