

# Warren County Consortium for Student Enrichment: Spring Articulation

**Wednesday June 2, 2021**

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. via ZOOM virtual platform

## AGENDA

### Welcome, Introductions, & Announcements

#### Officers and Executive Board

Chair Kristin Baker	Exec Board:
Past Chair Loren Ackerman	Jennifer Mazziotta-Walter
Treasurer Christine Drevitch	Kim Reber
Secretary Lianne Markus	Barbara Weinstein
Webmaster Caralee Gately	Liaison to NJAGC Connie Drakeobrien

\*\*Are any changes anticipated?

\*\*Are any members interested in joining Executive Bd for 21-22?

### Opening remarks:

Review of [Mission Statement](#)

Through Covid limitations, WCCSE continued to ..

- Provide opportunities for remote interactions with like peers
- Nourish awareness in stakeholders and learning regarding giftedness and NAGC standards through development of PD resources
- Support problem solving and creative thinking through grants for local programs

News from local districts: Any noteworthy events or queries?

Student advocacy at Mansfield

## Treasurer's Report

Financial report

Registrations - why we are requesting BA contact info (see [spreadsheet](#))

Grants

### NJAGC - what you need to know

1. NJAGC Conference March 18, 2022
2. New: parent and professional learning/networking opportunities: *njagcConnect* webinars
3. Upcoming Celebration - Save the Date!

### **NEW LAW: Strengthening Gifted Education Act (June 2019)**

*Message from NJAGC Liaison Connie:*

<https://www.njagc.org/unpacking-the-nj-law.html>

*Use for PD to educate yourself and anyone in your district*

*Identification at the Local School District Level*

*Strengthening Gifted and Talented Education Act*

<https://www.njagc.org/>

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

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

1. **WCCSE PD Committee** met regularly over several months to develop a PD website to support all of our member districts in meeting the requirements of the new law. ●

<http://wccseprofessionallearning.weebly.com/>

**SUGGESTION:** Representatives of this committee could request to present this website at the Warren County Administrators Round Table.

### **2. Identification/Eligibility Criteria**

How have eligibility determinations been impacted by pandemic-related disruptions to

schedules and learning?

**20-21 PROGRAMS** - all programming transitioned to VIRTUAL Model

*NOTE: Some programs transferred to Virtual Platform more readily than others: staff availability was also a factor. Events that were deferred are grayed out in this chart.*

***Battle of the Minds 5 & 6*** Jennifer Mazziotta-Walter

***Battle of Minds 7 & 8*** Jennifer Mazziotta-Walter

***Battle of the Books 3 & 4*** Caralee Gately

***Battle of the Books 5 & 6*** Bill Nutt

***Battle of the Books 7 & 8*** Alyssa Eisner

***Debate Grades 5-8*** Kristin Baker, Joann Bonneville, Chris. Drevitch Bill Nutt • ZOOM W/  
BREAKOUT ROOMS ...Mansfield, Phillipsburg, Washington Twp - 5 teams • TOPIC  
...Resolved: Meat Consumption should be discouraged.

***Spelling Bee 5 & 6*** Stephanie Condon?

***Chess Tournament - K - 6*** Mike Micucci ...All online via Chess.com

- Individual tournament (approx 30 kids), ARENA format
- 4 sessions: 3 semifinals heats, then 1 championship (late April)

***Chess Tournament - 7 & 8*** Caralee Gately?

***Legos on the Loose/Invention - Grade 3...ZOOM OR FLIPGRID?***

**Pringles Project** - Barb Weinstein?

**Marvelous Math - Gr 2** Tracy Kinsey?

**Math-a-Magicians - Gr 3 - ?**

**Mind-Nastics - Gr 4** - Kim Reber/Caralee Gately?

**Robotics - Grades K-8** Christine Drevitch/Jen.Mazz.-Walter

**Phabulous Physics - Gr 3 & 4** Kristin Baker?

**Strategic Thinking Day - Gr 5** - Rebecca Snyder?

**Convo** Grade 6 - ?

**Year Game 2021 - Gr 4-8** Kristin Baker

Zoom Celebration /NCTM's Dr Max Ray, who ran the Drexel Math Forum Year Game for many years.

**WCCSE Video Expo & Competition K-8 ...ZOOM (May 14)** Kristin Baker

27 original student videos entered. Judges "recognized" merit; no prizes of tangible value awarded

If this volume continues... age events? Cost per non WCCSE schools?

AS WE LOOK AT NEXT YEAR, KEEP IN MIND WE MAY CONTINUE AS HYBRID AND/OR VIRTUAL.

THINKING AHEAD FOR 21-22: DO WE WANT TO AIM FOR ...

**Young Writers' Competition**

**GeoBee** - Bobbi Weinstein?

**2022 Family Day**, possibly with Dr. Matt Zakreski, Improv workshop (planned for 2020, THEN 2021)

**Family Day 2021... ?**

Possible date .... March 2021

- Dr. Matthew Zakreski as keynote. "When emotional intensity and cognitive rigidity collide." Social/Emotional and Twice Exceptional.
- Walt Frasier Improv Comedy for kids' presentations

*2021 Deferred due to ongoing quarantine concerns. Revisit next year..?*