



# GIFTED SERVICES GAZETTE

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It has been great to visit WESD classrooms and see our gifted students immersed in learning. Their teachers are also showing off what they do best- patience and passion for instilling knowledge. Students at the Project Potential schools are beginning project-based lessons, using critical thinking, and building confidence in their talents. Meanwhile, students in the GLC and FLEX Programs are exploring their individual interests, creativity, and abilities. A few photos are on the second page and the Gifted Students Bill of Rights from the NAGC is below. Please share it with your child.

## **Gifted Children's Bill of Rights** ***You have the right to:***

- *know about your giftedness.*
- *learn something new everyday.*
- *be passionate about your talent area without apologies.*
- *have an identity beyond your talent area.*
- *feel good about your accomplishments.*
- *make mistakes.*
- *seek guidance in the development of your talent.*
- *have multiple peer groups and a variety of friends.*
- *choose which of your talent areas you wish to pursue.*
- *not to be gifted at everything.*

**Quarterly Parent Meetings** Our first quarterly parent meeting is **Wednesday September 15, 2021 from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.** We have decided to host this meeting virtually. I will be introducing myself as the new coordinator, describing gifted students' needs, and asking for feedback. We will have a few games to play with students too. Please join me this link: <https://bit.ly/3zURPKY>

[Link to join meeting](https://bit.ly/3zURPKY)

**Gifted Testing** If you would like to refer a child for testing, talk to the gifted teacher on your campus or complete the screening form and permission from the [Gifted Services webpage](#).

## **AAGT Parent Institute**

Each year the Arizona Association for Gifted and Talented holds a Parent Institute in order to provide information of interest to parents of gifted children. A kid's program coincides with the parent presentations in order to create a fun day for all! The theme this year is "Educating the Whole Child." Registration info below. (*Flyer on next page.*)

***Date:*** Saturday, Sept 25, 2021

***Time:*** 8:00am-4:00pm

***Location:*** Gateway Community College

City Center Campus  
1245 E Buckeye Rd  
Phoenix, AZ 85034

***Cost:*** \$25 members / \$35 non-members

*Additional cost for Kids Zone*



Visit [arizonagifted.org/parent-institute](http://arizonagifted.org/parent-institute) to register, or scan this QR code with a smartphone camera

**Students creating an online graphic novel during genius hour at the GLC.**

**Designing a mascot for the Olympics**

**Sorting and classifying animals as zoologists**

**Classifying living and nonliving things in Science with venn diagram**

**Engineering the tallest tower with limited supplies**

**6th graders debated: Should the government continue to spend money to explore space?**

**Students sharing their thinking on a math problem- How many combinations of ice cream can you make with ten flavors?**

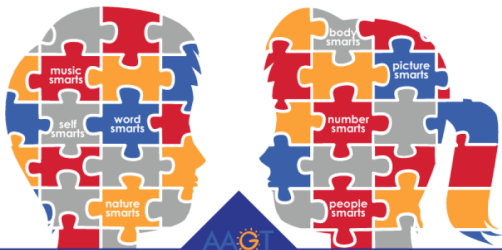
**Creating a script for a commerial about a math concept**

**Mitzie helping at Sunnyslope**

**WESD Gifted Minds at Work!**



**SATURDAY  
SEPTEMBER 25TH, 2021  
8 AM - 4 PM AZ-MST**



## 2021 Parent Institute

### Developing the Whole Child

#### Panel Discussion Topics

- Strategies to Make The Most of Your Child's Gifted Program
- The Importance of Play & Movement at Any Age
- Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion In Our Schools

#### 6 TED-Talk Style Speakers discussing topics including:

- Social Interaction
- Emotional Regulation
- Parent Education Topics and more!



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MEMBER NON MEMBER

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#### KIDZONE (ADDITIONAL FEE, IN PERSON AT PHOENIX LOCATION ONLY)

Age-appropriate K-8 whole child experiences through:

- The Arts
- Character Development
- Project-Based Learning
- and much more!

#### IN PERSON - TUCSON

Coyote Trail Elementary School  
8000 N Silverbell Rd.  
Tucson, AZ 85743

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