

# Gifted Education Advisory Council (GEAC)

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## What is GEAC?

The Gifted Education Advisory Council (GEAC) is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization started in 1989 to support parents, students, and educators in the Lake Washington School District (LWSD) highly capable community, including the LWSD Quest program. GEAC works in coordination with the LWSD and the highly capable community, similarly to how a PTA serves your local neighborhood school. *Our operating budget is funded 100% by annual donations and corporate matching.*

## Who we are...

GEAC membership consists of families in the LWSD highly capable community, primarily current or past Quest and other Highly Capable Program families. Educators and other community members are welcome and encouraged to join. All are volunteers.

## What we do...

*Our Mission: To support the unique needs of highly capable students enrolled in the Lake Washington School District.*

We approach this mission through four avenues:

- *Outreach:* fostering communication and connection among families and staff within the highly capable learning community, as well as fostering communication and understanding between the highly capable learning community and others.
- *Enrichment:* supporting highly capable student learning in the classroom, making available funding for enhancements including, but not limited to, curriculum resources, excursions, and professional development for staff.
- *Education:* offering information about and/or access to relevant education and support opportunities for parents, students, and educators in the highly capable community.
- *Advocacy:* advocating for the needs of highly capable students before families, the LWSD School Board, and the LWSD Administration, as well as supporting broader advocacy efforts on behalf of the highly capable community.

To help support these efforts - Please Join Now!

*(Membership Form on Reverse)*



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## 2016 - 2017 Annual Membership Form

There are two ways to choose how to join and support GEAC:

- Go to our website at [www.lwsdgeac.org](http://www.lwsdgeac.org) and complete the **online version** of this membership form and submit your donation via PayPal; **OR**
- Complete this hardcopy form and send with a check to the address below.

### Parent/Guardian/Staff Information

Name	Name
Employee name <i>as it is recorded with your company for matching purposes</i> (if matching is applicable to you)	
Address	
City/State/Zip	
Email	Email
Phone number	Phone number

### Student Information

Student #1	School	If in Highly Capable, circle program: FT PO (Loc:_____) MS K-2HC	Grade	Teacher (if elementary)
Student #2	School	If in Highly Capable, circle program: FT PO (Loc:_____) MS K-2HC	Grade	Teacher (if elementary)
Student #3	School	If in Highly Capable, circle program: FT PO (Loc:_____) MS K-2HC	Grade	Teacher (if elementary)

Check here if you're interested in representing GEAC at your school (which school(s):\_\_\_\_\_)

**Suggested Donation (per student)** Donations are not required to be a member

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<input type="checkbox"/> \$25	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100	<input type="checkbox"/> \$250	<input type="checkbox"/> Other \$ _____

### Payment Method

<input type="checkbox"/> Check enclosed <i>(Please make payable to <b>GEAC</b>)</i>	Mail membership form & check to:	GEAC c/o LWSD Quest Office PO Box 97039 Redmond, WA 98073-9739
<b>OR</b> go to our website at <a href="http://www.lwsdgeac.org">www.lwsdgeac.org</a> and complete the <b>online version</b> of this membership form and submit your donation via PayPal.		

### Company Matching

Company matching represents a significant portion of the total donations to GEAC – approximately 40% for the past several years. If you work for a company that provides matching gifts, we encourage you to take the time to submit the request. Please note that some companies require a minimum donation for matching.
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