

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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TAG Dues

US/Canada: Regular \$25 – Student \$10
Overseas: Air Mail \$50 – Surface Mail \$35

YES! I want to start enjoying the many benefits of membership in TAG. I am enclosing:

TAG dues only. (I am currently a CEC member and my CEC ID# is _____)

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SERIOUS ABOUT SPECIAL EDUCATION? THEN YOU BELONG IN CEC!

The Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) works to improve the educational success of individuals with disabilities and/or gifts and talents. It is a network of more than 50,000 special education professionals.

In addition to building close working relationships with their peers, CEC members enjoy a wide variety of professional benefits, including:

- *TEACHING Exceptional Children*, the journal of special education teaching strategies
- *Exceptional Children*, special education's premier research journal
- *CEC Today*, our popular newsletter covering trends and issues in the field
- Special access to the ERIC Clearinghouse on Disabilities and Gifted Education
- Job Bank
- Professional Recognition Program for special educators
- Awards for outstanding special educators
- Improvement of special education teaching conditions
- Annual Convention and Expo and other professional development events

CEC is a key advocate for children *and* youth with disabilities and/or gifts and talents, and those who teach them. CEC was instrumental in passing such important legislation as the Education for All Handicapped Children Act, the Javits Gifted and Talented Students Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the reauthorization of IDEA. Your membership will enable CEC to continue its efforts to improve both the quality of programs for exceptional children and the recognition of our profession.



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The Association for the Gifted

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The Association for the Gifted

*A Division of the Council for
Exceptional Children*
Dedicated to the Welfare and Education of
Children and Youth with Gifts, Talents,
and/or High Potential

PURPOSE AND GOALS

The Association for the Gifted (TAG) is the official division of the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) that promotes the welfare and education of children and youth with gifts, talents, and/or high potential. The goals of TAG include:

- Improving educational opportunities for individuals from all diverse groups with gifts, talents, and/or high potential.
- Sponsoring and fostering activities to develop the field of gifted education, such as the dissemination of information, the conduct of research, and other scholarly investigations.
- Supporting and encouraging specialized professional preparation for educators of individuals with gifts, talents, and/or high potential, as well as for professional persons in related areas.
- Working with organizations, agencies, families, or individuals whose purposes are consistent with its own.

VALUABLE PROFESSIONAL PUBLICATIONS

As a member of TAG, you will stay abreast of recent advances and trends in your field through your subscription to:

Journal for the Education of the Gifted. Providing articles on current research, position papers, literature reviews, and information on classroom materials, along with practical ideas for teachers and parents on handling the special education needs of the talented and gifted. Published four times a year. Please note: a subscription to the *Journal for the Education of the Gifted* is included with TAG membership, but may also be



purchased by non-members. Contact CEC for rates.

TAG Update. A newsletter containing information on TAG activities, upcoming events, workshops and institutes, reports on legislation, and relevant news from national and state/provincial organizations. Published four times a year.

Other publications. On occasion, TAG members are offered special discounts on books, monographs and other publications. These include various state department publications, curriculum guides, paperbacks, and annotated bibliographies.

National and Regional Programs

A full day of workshops and seminars on the gifted- "TAG Day"- is held each year in conjunction with CEC's Annual International Convention & Expo. Additional



special programs for the gifted are conducted throughout the CEC convention, including a TAG-sponsored symposium on gifted children and their education.

TAG also enters into cooperative conferences with local, state/provincial, and regional organizations. TAG is affiliated with Edufest (www.edufest.org), a week-long gifted and talented conference held on the campus of Boise State University, Idaho during the last week of July.

LEGISLATIVE EFFORTS

TAG has been one of the most active organizations supporting new legislation for the gifted and talented. TAG leaders testify in favor of bills and are regularly called

upon for consultations by legislators. They are in direct contact with the U.S. Department of Education, and work closely with the CEC Department of Public Policy. For information about TAG's legislative efforts and news you can use, visit TAG's Web site at www.cectag.org

MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

TAG membership is open to any member of CEC interested in the educational needs of gifted and talented students. TAG membership consists of teachers, administrators, parents, paraprofessionals, students, teacher educators, and others. Students currently enrolled in a college or university program and not employed full-time as a certified professional in the education profession are eligible for special student rates. CEC Associate Membership rates are available for parents and paraprofessionals.

JOIN TODAY!

TAG membership is the most effective way to boost your own professional skills and become a better, more informed practitioner. Complete the attached membership application today, and return it with your dues payment.



Remember: You must be a member of the CEC to join TAG. If you are not already a member, call CEC at 888/232-7733 (toll free) or 703/620-3660. Membership applications are also available on CEC's Web site at www.cec.sped.org

TAG WEBSITE
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