**The KENTUCKY ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR GIFTED AND TALENTED EDUCATION**

**2017 Professional Development Assistance for Kentucky Educators**

The KENTUCKY ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR GIFTED AND TALENTED EDUCATION is a Governor-appointed council that acts in an advisory capacity to formulate and offer recommendations related to policy and services for gifted and talented students. These recommendations are made to the Commissioner of Education, the Kentucky Board of Education and the Education Professional Standards Board. The Council’s recommendations are influential in formulating the policy decisions of these agencies relative to the education of gifted and talented students. The 22-member council represents a wide variety of stakeholders such as parents, the business community, teachers, building and central office administrators, coordinators of gifted and talented programs, and post-secondary institutions.

Each year, the Council determines the most immediate concerns in gifted education in Kentucky that need to be addressed. This year the Council recognized the need to provide opportunities for Kentucky educators to broaden their understanding of the academic needs of gifted students. As a result, the Council will provide a limited number of registrations for educators to participate in the Kentucky Association for Gifted Education’s Summer Workshop, ENGAGE AND EDUCATE STUDENTS THROUGH PROBLEM-BASED LEARNING, at Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green. The workshop is June 20 and presented by Dr. Shelagh Gallagher. The Council will sponsor financial assistance for the registration fee only for the workshop.

The Council requires those who apply for financial assistance come with at least one colleague whose registration is paid by the district or by other means.

Registration includes a book on Problem-Based Learning.

Information about the conference and registration can be found at <http://kagegifted.org/summer2017>.

The Council hopes that by participating in the *KAGE Summer Workshop,* educators will have a greater understanding of the need for appropriate services and support for Kentucky's gifted students which will result in narrowing the gap between a gifted student’s performance and potential.

**Application and Registration Forms are due by May 31, 2017**

**Awards are given on a first come, first served basis.**

For additional information about the professional development awards contact:

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**Kentucky Association for Gifted Education Summer Workshop**

**June 20, 2017**

**Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, KY**

#### Description: Mark Twain once said, “A man who carries a cat by the tail learns something he can learn in no other way.”  This is the philosophy behind problem-based learning: immerse students in real-world problems in order to learn the core curriculum. While searching for a solution, students simultaneously learn required content and improve their skills in research, higher-order thinking, decision making, collaboration, and more. Students leave the experience more motivated and better educated. Workshop participants will be introduced to PBL through a brief simulation of the first stage of a PBL unit. Having experienced PBL from the students’ point of view, teachers will be ready to learn how to put PBL into practice. During the course of the day, teachers will learn the fundamentals of PBL, the flow of a PBL problem, how and when to embed instruction; how to integrate Common Core standards, assessment opportunities, and the basics of creating a PBL unit.

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**Effective Instructional Leadership (EILA) and Attendance Credit will be available.**

**Registration will include a book on problem-based learning.**

**To Apply:** Please send the professional development assistance application to the address below or fax to 270.745.6279. *You may register for the workshop online but will need to send the professional development assistance request in some other way.* Add the $30 membership fee if you are not a KAGE member. Membership status may be checked by calling 270.745.4301 or emailing, kage@wku.edu. CONFIRMATIONS WILL BE EMAILED.

For additional information and the registration form: go to <http://kagegifted.org/summer2017>

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**Please complete the following information:**

**Name for Badge:**

**Address:**

**Work Phone #:** **Home or Cell Phone #:**

**School Email:** **Home Email:**

**School District:** **County:**

**Colleague’s name** who will be coming with you (Colleague may register online or send registration information with this application.)

**Role or Position** (Check all that apply):

\_\_\_\_Gifted Coordinator, \_\_\_\_GT Resource Teacher, \_\_\_\_Teacher, \_\_\_\_Administrator, \_\_\_\_Counselor, Other

**Area of Interest** (check all that apply):

\_\_\_\_Elementary, \_\_\_\_Middle/Junior High, \_\_\_\_ High School, \_\_\_\_University

**KAGE Member** (Please Circle) Yes No

**Signature of Principal, Supervisor, or Superintendent** Date

**A limited number of awards are available and given on a first come, first served basis.**

You will be notified of your acceptance. Please send the application to the address below.