

Virginia Beach City Public Schools
Community Advisory Committee for Gifted Education

The regular meeting of the Community Advisory Committee for Gifted Education (CAC) was held on September 12, 2022 at 6:30 p.m., via Zoom.

2021-2022 VOTING MEMBERS:	In attendance	Not in attendance
Jennifer McKendree, Chair (At-Large)	x	
Kerwin Kolheffer (At-Large)	x	
Tonya Rivers (Bayside)	x	
Brittany Horn (Green Run)	x	
Morgan Morrison (Salem)	x	
Justin Nichols (Kempsville)	x	
Allison Krug (Ocean Lakes)	x	
Frances Thompson (Landstown)	x	
Rachel Copeland (Salem)	x	
Olga Eskinazi (Cox)	x	
Whitney Harding (Cox)	x	
Kristina Laber (Kempsville)	x	
Rachel Wynegar (Salem)	x	
NON-VOTING MEMBERS (Ex-Officio)		
Dr. Nicole DeVries - Director of K-12 and Gifted Programs	x	
Dr. Dornswalo Wilkins-McCorey - Coordinator, Office of Gifted Programs	x	
Angela Boubouheropoulos - Coordinator, Office of Gifted Programs		x
Meghann Scott - Instructional Specialist, Office of Gifted Programs	x	
Leslie Wildman - Ex-Officio, Elementary Gifted Resource Teacher	x	
Laura Purvis - Ex-Officio, Middle School Gifted Resource Teacher	x	
Anne Marzitello - Ex-Officio, High School Gifted Resource Teacher	x	
Cat Gadzinski - Ex-Officio,	x	
Melody Cariello – Ex-Officio, School Counseling	x	
Ava Ibanez - Student Representative (Landstown HS)	x	
INVITED GUESTS		
Jennifer Franklin - VBCPS School Board		x
Dr. Kipp Rogers - Chief Academic Officer, Department of Teaching and Learning		x

1. Welcome – *Meghann Scott, Jennifer McKendree and Dr. Nicole DeVries* (6:30 pm)-
 - a. Opening Remarks - “Welcome back” acknowledgments were given to returning members, new members and ex-officio members.
Introduction of New Members and Visitors - All new member introduced themselves and their reason and goals for being a part of the community advisory committee.
Committee members, non-voting member and Gifted staff introduced themselves and their roles within VBCPS.

2. Special Order/Topics
 - a. Dual Enrollment Program Overview - Ann Chowns, School Counseling Instructional Specialist, Office of Student Support Services – Dual Enrollment - to take college courses while in high school. (ENG 111/ENG 112) Prior principal approval is needed for other courses. Ms. Chowns spoke on the academic qualifications needed for dual enrollment courses.
 - b. Gifted 101: Welcome to Gifted Services “What Does GIFTED Mean to YOU? - **United States Department of Education’s definition of Gifted and Talented Students:** “...those who have outstanding abilities, are capable of high performance and who require differentiated educational programs (beyond those normally provided by **regular** school programs) in order to realize their contribution to self and society.” Meghann Scott spoke on the various characteristics of the Gifted Programs and services for all grade levels, schools and shared gifted acronyms.
 - c. Site Visit Training - The Office of Gifted Programs will arrange your visit; Visits will be between 60-90 minutes; A member of the Gifted Leadership Team (GLT) may attend the visit with you; Please submit your report within two weeks of your visit. After you have completed the write up for your visit, please email it to Jen McKendree and Meghann Scott. Reports submitted by the 15th of the month will be added to the agenda for summary sharing at the following CAC meeting. All site visits must be completed by the end of March 2023. Set a goal of one visit in 1st semester and one visit in 2nd semester. Parents will not be conducting site visits at their child/children’s school – This will help avoid potential conflicts of interests. Site Visit Etiquette - Attire should be business casual. You will need your drivers’ license. Phones should be off or on mute when you enter a building. Please do not take pictures or videos of students. Check in welcome desk and go to main office if the GRT isn’t there to greet you. The GRT will have scheduled your time during your visit (agenda/schedule to follow during visit) and give you a copy – respect time.
3. VBCPS CAC Regular Meeting Business - Jennifer McKendree
 - a. Business Meeting - Call to Order
 - b. Finalize 2022-2023 Meeting Schedule and Topics – Next meeting: October 3, 2022 - **Location:** School Administration Building, **Einstein Lab**, 2512 George Mason Dr Virginia Beach, VA 23456/Zoom platform will be available.

4. Adjournment: **8:00 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,

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