

ADVISORY COUNCIL ON THE EDUCATION OF GIFTED AND TALENTED CHILDREN

RECOMMENDED PROCESS FOR SELECTION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

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OVERVIEW

The Council consists of seven (7) members. Members are appointed by the Commissioner of Education to serve four-year terms. Upon the expiration of the term of a member, that member shall continue to serve until a replacement is appointed. The Commissioner considers recommendations for membership on the Council from organizations of educators, parents of gifted and talented children, and other groups with an interest in the education of gifted children. Members appointed shall be residents of the state of Missouri and selected on the basis of their knowledge of, or experience in, programs and problems of the education of gifted and talented children. A Council member can be re-appointed at the discretion of the Commissioner of Education. The Council Chair is appointed by the Commissioner.

GENERAL GUIDELINES

1. Service on the Council begins September 1 of each year. Terms expire August 31 in the final year of each Council member's appointment.
2. Any newly appointed Council members will be notified on or before August 1 of each year, or the earliest time possible after August 1.
3. The Council values diversity. Thus, over time, it seeks to include representatives from diverse districts, backgrounds, and experiences related to gifted and talented education.
4. The Council Chair is recommended to be a two-year appointment, with extensions possible. It is preferred that candidates for Chair have a minimum of one year of service on the Council. Council members interested in serving as Chair should notify the sitting Chair and DESE Liaison. On or before May 31 of relevant years, the Council Chair, in consultation with the DESE Liaison, will submit the name(s) of members who have expressed an interest in serving in this role.

RECOMMENDED SELECTION PROCESS

Members who are currently serving on the Council

1. A minimum of three months in advance of their term expiring, Council members must submit to the Chairperson and the Commissioner in writing their desire to be reappointed or not be reappointed to the Council.

General Public submissions for appointment to the Council

1. A minimum of two months in advance of any expiring term, the Council via the Chairperson may submit via written or electronic means a list of potential new Council members to the Commissioner for consideration.
2. A self-nomination application for Council membership will be posted continuously on the Council website. A minimum of four months in advance of any expiring term, the Council will post on its website an invitation for individuals to complete and submit the form to be considered for an appointment to the Council. Only completed self-nomination forms submitted a minimum of three months in advance of the expired term will be forwarded to the Commissioner.
3. The Council will request that an invitation for submitting the self-nominating form for appointment to the Council be posted in any publication the Council believes supports the education of gifted and talented children in a manner and time consistent with the publication(s) publishing schedule so as to allow individuals to submit the completed self-nomination form a minimum of three months prior to an expiring term.
4. The Council may at its discretion publicize the opportunity for appointment to the Council via any means it deems reasonable and appropriate.