Bynum Scholar Application Now Open: Deadline April 2, 2021

The Georgia Association for Gifted Children has again opened up a unique scholarship opportunity for Georgia teachers! In April 2021, one teacher from each of our Georgia RESA regions will be named a GAGC Bynum Scholar and will receive a scholarship to earn the gifted endorsement online through CASENEX and a complimentary one-year membership to GAGC.

Upon completion of the CASENEX gifted endorsement, each Bynum Scholar will also receive a complimentary registration to the 2023 GAGC Convention. We hope to name 16 GAGC Bynum Scholars, one to represent each of the 16 RESA regions in Georgia.

GAGC has a long history of advocating for specially trained teachers to ensure consistent implementation of identification procedures and services for our gifted and talented children. Under Georgia Law, gifted students are Category VI of Special Education. Georgia State Law (O.C.G.A. 20-2-152) requires both identification procedures and the provision of teachers who are professionally trained to meet the needs of gifted students. The gifted endorsement provides this training, and GAGC is proud to support teachers who purpose to earn this endorsement.

The criteria for applying to become a GAGC Bynum Scholar are:

- Clear, renewable, Georgia teaching certification and two or more years of successful teaching experience
- Recommendation from school or district gifted coordinator or administrator
- A current contract with a Georgia school district that does not provide the gifted endorsement for teachers cost-free
- School Principal signature of support

Application available at: https://forms.gle/ReFvTQZ7cukN3BiYA

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