



**GUSD (GES) GIFTED EDUCATION SUPPORT
PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

September 28th Minutes

2021-22 GUSD Math Club

1. Regina will be Math Club coordinator on zoom Tues, Wed, Thurs at each site
2. Regina will create the curriculum
3. 4th, 5th , 6th 7:30-8:15 am
4. Need a 4th, 5th and 6th grade parent for each grade level at each site to be the parent math club facilitator
5. Bus transportation issues- Those students can attend a 3:00-4:00 Friday Zoom Math Club
6. Parent Volunteers needed to be vaccinated
7. Title 1 schools will be able to get CE hours by supporting math club
8. Math club typically starts in October, but can start later
9. Math Superbowl - we will hear between January-March if the math superbowl is happening.
10. Math Club is inclusive. It is for everyone. Curriculum is low floor high ceiling.
11. Orientation meeting for all parent volunteers who can commit to math club

Parent Questions?

1. What about the students that take the bus in the afternoon? Will they be able to attend math club on Fridays? (see #5 on left)
2. Is the school district going to support finding parent help to run the math clubs? (Yes, Jill is managing the recruitment process.)
3. Can a 5th/6th grade combo do a combination math club? (Yes, there will be a 5th/6th combo club at El Camino and a 4th - 6th club for GFS).
4. Is Math Club for everyone, or just specific students? Please clarify. (See #10 on the left)
5. How will GFS Math Club work for their 4-6 cohort? (It will be a combined Math Club, we will work with Math Club Lead to pick appropriate level activities).

Parent Comments

-Please make sure that math club invitations are for all students who enjoy math. (Lovers of math)

	<p>-One person suggested that for math club, we include STEAM activities and have fun.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Parent Information Night topics</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● What topics have been covered or need to be covered? <p>-When Junior High Students came back and shared their perspective on transitioning to junior high. Honors Classes and compaction math.</p> <p>-Twice Exceptional</p> <p><u>Parent Suggestions</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Parent resources for social/emotional support. (Youthwell) 2. Parent training on depth and complexity or number talks 3. Ian Byrd (Byrdseed) 4. On the District Website parents can access Gifted Education Resources as well as a list of Parent Reps. 5. Teachers are the number one influencer of all students. If the teacher is falling short, the principal and Jill should be alerted, so the teacher is meeting the needs of the gifted learners. Math Club, Battle of the Books, Ind. Study Showcase, and Summer Enrichment are examples of other enrichment opportunities. 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Parent Questions/Comments</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A lot of parents don't know how to support their gifted child. How to communicate with a teacher. What are the resources available to all parents? 2. Book titles for advanced learners or resources on the internet. 3. Resources for the parents for emotional support. 4. Is the goal of this committee to come up with resources or just give input? What is the parents' role on this committee? 5. A parent expressed there is some concern from parents feeling their gifted identified students' needs are not being met. If parents feel students aren't getting what they need in the classroom, what else can the district offer? (See #5 on the left.)
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Any questions or final comments?</u></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Questions from Parents?</u></p>

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. -All GUSD teachers have been, or are in the process of being, trained in gifted education and differentiation. 2. -CogAT: 3rd and 4th Grade students will be tested during the same time-frame. (January) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Future concern to keep in mind - DLI Program at El Camino: Will those students who will be gifted identified be getting support in Spanish? For Cogat? For Math Club? 2. Was there at one time a pull out program for gifted learners in the district? (Yes, prior to 2013/see #1 on the left) 3. What is happening with the Cogat? (See #2 on the left)
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Attendees

1. Cressida Silvers- El Camino
2. Jenn Birchim- Ellwood
3. Elisa Drelie- Foothill
4. Silke Werth- Goleta Family School
5. Deena Ferro- Isla Vista
6. Kara Rocque- Kellogg
7. Karla Smith- Mountain View
8. Vicki Ben-Yaacov- Board Member
9. Julia Cirincione- Ellwood
10. Regina Davis- Kellogg