Dear Teacher/Coach of Academic Challenge Cup Teams:

Thank you for your interest in Gifted Resource Council's Academic Challenge Cup 2020. Whether you are coaching a team for the first time, or have been bringing students for twenty years, we are delighted that you will be joining us for a stimulating and enriching experience in friendly competition.

Gifted Resource Council is pleased to be able to offer Academic Challenge Cup 2020 on the campus of both the University of Missouri-St. Louis and Washington University. We will return to the Millennium Student Center on the Campus of the University of Missouri-St. Louis during the week of March 2 – 6, 2020 and to College Hall at Washington University March 17 - 18, 2020.

Once again, we have done some re-arranging of schedules in order to accommodate the maximum number of students and teams who wish to participate in ACC. It remains critically important that teams register as early as possible in order to secure a space on the date of your choice.

Please read the following information carefully. For your convenience, competition dates and deadlines are summarized in the following charts.

## Competition Dates: March 2-6, 2020 at University of Missouri - St. Louis

	Competition Dates	Registration Deadline	FREE Prepare-your-team Workshop Dates	
Equations	March 2 Gr: 6, 7-8	Jan. 24 (blue form)	Sat., Oct. 19, 9:30 – 11:00 am Wydown Middle School 6500 Wydown Blvd.	Wed., Nov. 6, 4:30 – 6:00 pm Gifted Resource Council 357 Marshall Ave., Suite 6
Equations	March 3 & 4 Gr: 3, 4, 5	Jan. 24 (blue form)		Webster Groves MO 63119
Creative Convention	March 5 & 6 Gr: 2-4	Jan. 24 (blue form)	Sat., Oct. 19, 11:10 am – 12:40 pm Wydown Middle School 6500 Wydown Blvd. Clayton MO 63105	Thurs., Nov. 7, 4:30 – 6:00 pm Gifted Resource Council 357 Marshall Ave., Suite 6 Webster Groves MO 63119
LinguiSHTIK	Mar. 5 Gr: 4-5	Jan. 24 (blue form)	Sat., Oct. 26, 9:30 – 11:00 am Wydown Middle School 6500 Wydown Blvd. Clayton MO 63105	

## Competition Dates: March 17 - 18, 2020 at Washington University

	Competition Dates	Registration Deadline	FREE Prepare-your-team Workshop Dates	
Equations	Mar 17 – 18 Gr: 3, 4, 5	Jan. 24 (green form)	Sat., Oct. 19, 9:30 – 11:00 am Wydown Middle School 6500 Wydown Blvd. Clayton MO 63105	Wed., Nov. 6, 4:30 - 6:00 pm Gifted Resource Council 357 Marshall Ave., Suite 6 Webster Groves MO 63119

Competition Time: 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Cost: \$90 per team

**Registration Information:** Please register early! We hope to be able to accommodate everyone. However, as in the past, if space fills, teams will be turned away. Space reservation is <u>first come</u>, <u>first served</u>, and must include payment for registration to be complete. Payment by check or money order only; <u>we cannot accept</u> purchase orders.

The 2020 Equations and LinguiSHTIK rules are available on our Website at <a href="https://www.giftedresourcecouncil.org">www.giftedresourcecouncil.org</a> or by calling the GRC office at 314-962-5920.

Medals will be awarded to teams that achieve a level of excellence. We will give awards to individual Equations and LinguiSHTIK participants who receive a top score. All participants will receive certificates of recognition.

Again this year, GRC will offer Parenting Classes on each of the mornings of Academic Challenge Cup. These FREE classes will be an excellent opportunity for parents and teachers to learn from an expert while sharing with others. Noted area specialists have enthralled parents and teachers alike with their presentations about gifted children. Topics cover issues in raising a gifted child, including perfectionism and how to help a child who feels different. Neither parents nor teachers will be allowed in the playing area during competition. They will be able to observe the awarding of medals at the completion of each competition (approximately 11:15 a.m.).

Once again, <u>Creative Convention</u> for grades 2 – 4 will focus on creative problem solving and the engineering process. <u>Each individual team will be required to bring a judge who will need to attend a training workshop</u>. The judge could be a teacher, coach or parent. No one will judge a team that s/he has brought.

## **Creative Convention Mandatory Judges' Workshop Dates**

Date	Wednesday, February 12, 2020	Saturday, February 15, 2020	
Time	9:30-10:30 a.m.	9:30-10:30 a.m.	
Location	Washington Middle School 5165 Ambs Road St Louis MO 63128	Wydown Middle School 6500 Wydown Blvd. Clayton MO 63105	

We at Gifted Resource Council look forward to your participation in Academic Challenge Cup 2020. Please read the enclosed materials and send us your registration forms as early as possible! If you have any questions, please call the GRC office at 314-962-5920. We appreciate your interest and participation in programs offered by Gifted Resource Council.

Sincerely,

Susan Jesse ACC Coordinator

**Enclosures**