

September 2018

Dear Teacher/Coach of Academic Challenge Cup Teams:

Thank you for your interest in Gifted Resource Council's Academic Challenge Cup 2019. 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 2019 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 February 26 – March 1, 2019 and to College Hall at Washington University during the week of March 12-14, 2019.

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: February 26 – March 1, 2019 at University of Missouri – St. Louis

	Competition Dates	Registration Deadline	FREE Prepare-your-team Workshop Dates	
Equations	Feb. 26 Gr: 3, 4, 5	Jan. 25 (blue form)	Sat., Oct. 13, 9:30 – 11:00 am Wydown Middle School 6500 Wydown Blvd. Clayton MO 63105	Wed., Nov. 7, 4:30 – 6:00 pm Gifted Resource Council 357 Marshall Ave., Suite 6 Webster Groves MO 63119
Equations	Feb. 27 Gr: 6, 7-8	Jan. 25 (blue form)		
Creative Convention	Feb. 28 & Mar. 1 Gr: 2-4	Jan. 25 (blue form)	Sat., Oct. 13, 11:10 am – 12:40 pm Wydown Middle School 6500 Wydown Blvd. Clayton MO 63105	Thurs., Nov. 8, 4:30 – 6:00 pm Gifted Resource Council 357 Marshall Ave., Suite 6 Webster Groves MO 63119

Competition Dates: March 12 – 14, 2019 at Washington University

	Competition Dates	Registration Deadline	FREE Prepare-your-team Workshop Dates	
Equations	Mar 12 & 13 Gr: 3, 4, 5	Jan. 25 (green form)	Sat., Oct. 13, 9:30 – 11:00 am Wydown Middle School 6500 Wydown Blvd. Clayton MO 63105	Wed., Nov. 7, 4:30 - 6:00 pm Gifted Resource Council 357 Marshall Ave., Suite 6 Webster Groves MO 63119
LinguiSHTIK	Mar. 14 Gr: 4-5, 6-8	Jan. 25 (green form)		

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 first come, first served, and must include payment for registration to be complete. Payment by check or money order only; we cannot accept purchase orders.

The 2019 Equations and LinguSHTIK rules are available on our Website at www.giftedresourcecouncil.org 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 LinguSHTIK 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, Creative Convention for grades 2 – 4 (note – inclusion of 4th grade is NEW) will focus on creative problem solving and the engineering process. Each individual team will be required to bring a judge who will need to attend a training workshop. 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 6, 2019	Saturday, February 9, 2019
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 2019. 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
Executive Director

Enclosures