# Missouri DEPARTMENT OF ELEMENTARY & SECONDARY EDUCATION

# PORTRAIT OF A GIFTED LEARNER EXPLORATION MEETINGS

#### OVERVIEW

The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and the Advisory Council on the Education of Gifted and Talented Children are embarking on a journey to develop a *Portrait of a Gifted Learner*. Our goals are to:

- Envision the 21<sup>st</sup> century skills, life-success skills, and social competencies needed for gifted student to succeed in college, career, and life.
- Develop learner outcomes that Missouri gifted education programs can adapt and adopt.
- Develop strategies for assessing and tracking student growth over multiple years.

## EXPLORATION MEETINGS

We invite stakeholders from across Missouri to participate in our Exploration Meetings. We are looking for educators, parents, students, graduates of gifted programs, and community members to share their perspectives. We would like to hear from all <u>nine regions</u> of the state and from communities of all sizes: rural, small town, urban, and suburban.

We are hosting five exploration meetings on Zoom in February 2022. Please see the schedule below with registration links. At each meeting we will dialogue around two key questions:

- What hopes, aspirations, and dreams do we have for our gifted children?
- What traits, skills, and mindsets do gifted learners need to be successful, regardless of the domain they choose to pursue?

We will record these meetings so that all ideas are captured and a list of responses can be generated after the meeting. At this time, we are gathering thoughts and will not attempt to draw conclusions. Come share your ideas!

Choose one:	Date and Time:	Register in advance for this meeting using this link:
Early Morning	Wednesday, February 16, 2022; 7:30 AM – 8:00 AM	https://www.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJIscuitqDwsHZBcQMPHVf_KVuGsK9k_JIM
Morning	Wednesday, February 16, 2022; 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM	https://www.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJltd-2uqTltEgEnr6q3lGsXhBW6EhG6VJ0
Afternoon	Thursday, February 17, 2022; 3:30 PM – 4:30 PM	https://www.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJlscu-trzwjHWNgYQGq1hjn fNFU3YC0kg
Evening	Tuesday, February 22, 2022; 7:00 PM- 8:00 PM	https://www.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJlscO-prTMiG-DsU7c0nSCqxZw86juZ9ck
Saturday	Saturday, March 5, 2022; 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM	https://www.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJIsd-uuqTkrH8bee7mRQNU6qLwO4s1mGqk

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have questions about the *Portrait of a Gifted Learner* project, please reach out to <u>Christine Nobbe</u>, Director of Gifted Education for the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.