

RENZULLI CENTER NEWS



Special Category

Happy Birthday, Dr. Renzulli!

Dr. Joseph Renzulli celebrates his 90th birthday on July 7! Join us in wishing Joe a very happy birthday!



Upcoming Events

Save the Dates! 2026–2027 Center Events

It's never too early to mark your calendars! We have a great series of FREE webinars lined up for next academic year, along with four online Taste of Confratute events addressing important and practical topics in the field. [Visit our Events page](#) to learn more and save the dates!

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Research

Center Postdoc Selected as Interim Managing Editor

Celeste DC Sodergren has been appointed interim managing editor of the National Association for Gifted Children's journal, [Gifted Child Quarterly](#). Celeste is a postdoctoral research associate on [Project EAGLE](#) at the Renzulli Center.

The managing editor serves as the point of correspondence between authors, reviewers, and editorial staff, and performs manuscript processing tasks for each manuscript that is published. Dr. Sodergren has previously served as an assistant editor for the [Journal of Advanced Academics](#), as well as editor of the journal for the Texas Association for the Gifted and Talented (TAGT), TEMPO+.

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Teachers Have Something to Share

You might think your expertise and ideas aren't worth discussing, but sharing what you've learned with your peers and beyond your school has a lot of benefits.

By Benjamin Barbour
Edutopia
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Sometimes we teachers don't think we have much to say. We toil in the trenches of the classroom and go home to grade and plan the next day's lesson. We pour our hearts into our curriculum, parent conferences, extracurricular and after-school events, and our students' well-being. With all of this on our plates, it's easy to leave the "big thoughts" about education, pedagogy, and classroom procedures to other people—the experts.

Read more at <https://www.edutopia.org/article/ways-teachers-can-share-their-ideas/>

1st Annual ConfraYouth Summit

Watch the video presentation form <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VAFfXAL9L4A&t=1s>

Teach Cafe 2025–2026

Watch the highlight reel from <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=voMGslbWZUk>

Joe's Recent "Short Stuff"

Read the short articles by Joseph Renzulli from https://gifted.uconn.edu/renzulli_short_articles/



Asking Questions

The Secret Key for Promoting Advanced Level Thinking

Read the short article from <https://gifted.media.uconn.edu/wp-content/uploads/sites/961/2026/07/Asking-Questions.pdf>



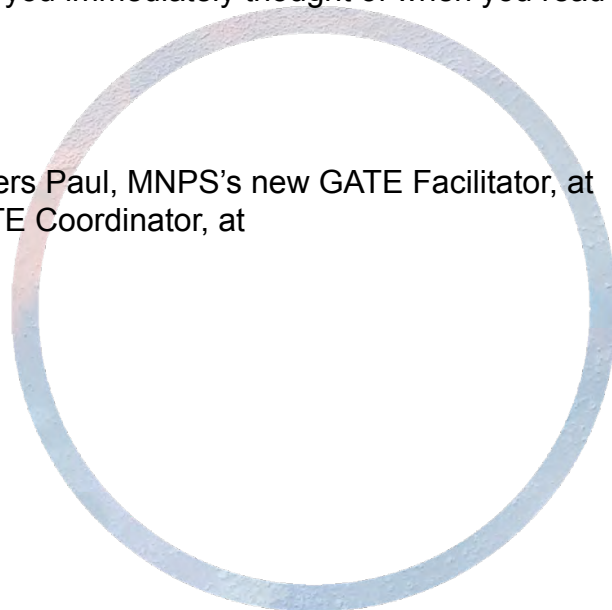
Job Opportunities

Middle School GATE Teacher Job Opening–MNPS

Metro Nashville Public Schools (MNPS) is looking to fill one more spot on the GATE team for the 2026–2027 school year! This role is for a middle school teacher who likes the messy, interesting parts of instruction: kids with big questions, tasks that can go in more than one direction, and the challenge of making school feel deeper instead of just harder. You'd be joining a team that is doing real work around gifted education, talent development, and access across MNPS. Take a look, or send it to the teacher you immediately thought of when you read this.

[Middle School GATE Teacher Job Posting](#)

Have questions? Email UConn Alum Dr. Kristina Ayers Paul, MNPS's new GATE Facilitator, at kristina.paul@mnps.org or Dr. Robbin Masters, GATE Coordinator, at robbin.masters@mnps.org.



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