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Welcome to the April edition of Gifted Education and E-news! This newsletter is created by the Arizona Department of Education for updates on gifted education happenings in Arizona and across the country.

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ARIZONA ASSOCIATION FOR GIFTED AND TALENTED (AAGT)



The Arizona Association for Gifted and Talented (AAGT – www.arizonagifted.org) is an advocacy organization for teachers, parents and students. They are an affiliate organization of the National Association for Gifted Children (NAGC – www.nagc.org). Both of these organizations provide some great resources for parents of gifted children. The AAGT offers opportunities for parents and students – such as their annual Parent Institute in the Fall, held in Phoenix, AZ, and student programs / competitions.

PHOENIX DESERT SUMMER INSTITUTE – ADVANCED/HONORS STRATEGIES

The Phoenix Desert AP® Summer Institute is now offering newly designed Advanced/Honors Strategies Sessions. These sessions are designed for any teacher in grades 7-10 who assists building the school's overall Academic Excellence Initiative. Cost for the four day workshop is **\$695.00** per person. **Most of these courses may also be used for the Gifted Endorsement.**

Tucson Session

June 21-24, 2016 (Tuesday – Friday)

At: Tucson High Magnet School

400 N. 2nd Avenue, Tucson, AZ 85705

Phoenix Session

July 18-21, 2016 (Monday-Thursday)

At: Pinnacle High School

3535 E Mayo Blvd, Phoenix, AZ 85050

More information, class syllabus, class description, presenter information and information on hotels offering special rates may be found at the following website: www.pdsisummerworkshops.com.

For AP* Classes only: www.phoenixdesertsi.com.

Click [here](#) for more information about these sessions.

JACK KENT COOKE FOUNDATION YOUNG SCHOLARS PROGRAM DUE APRIL 14

The **Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Young Scholars Program** is the largest pre-college scholarship program in the country. Cooke Young Scholars receive the following support from eighth grade through senior year of high school:

- A personal academic and college counselor
- Funding for academic and enrichment programs in the summer and during the school year
- Internship and study abroad opportunities
- Educational resources including books and technology

The following eligibility criteria apply to this special scholarship program. Students must:

- Be currently in the 7th grade
- Have earned mostly A's and B's since the beginning of 6th grade
- Demonstrate financial need (families must have an annual household income under \$95,000)
- Demonstrate drive, persistence, leadership, and a desire to help others

The application period is open now through **April 14, 2016**. For more information click [here](#).

PHOENIX DESERT AP SUMMER INSTITUTE



The [Phoenix Desert APSI](#) is proud to announce the dates for our summer institutes for summer 2016. This is our thirteenth year serving the Arizona schools by providing College Board® endorsed summer institutes in Tucson and Phoenix. We are proud to partner in Tucson with the Tucson Unified School District and in Phoenix with the Paradise Valley Unified School District to bring you these outstanding institutes. Our presenters are trained and endorsed by the College Board. Last year our institutes were attended by teachers across Arizona as well as seventeen other states and five countries. We invite you to join us this summer.

Classes will be held from 8AM – 4 PM each day. Cost for the AP® Sessions is **\$725.00**. Lab classes have a **\$20.00** lab fee.

For more information please call our office at 602-992-2375, check our website at www.phoenixdesertsi.com, or contact our Director, Vicki Musen at vmusen@cox.net.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Visit our website at www.azed.gov/gifted-education for more Arizona gifted updates and information.

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Thank you for all that **you** do to support gifted education in Arizona!

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