

# Putting YOU in Gifted YOUth: Cincinnati Area Mensa Gifted Youth Program

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# Why Join Mensa?



- Social networking
- Idea sharing
- Intellectual stimulation
- Personal validation
- Research support
- Member benefits
- Special opportunities
- Sense of belonging
- Fun

# Mensa Gifted Youth Program

- Mensa for Kids
- Book Parade
- CultureQuest®
- Bright Kids on Pinterest
- Contests
- Bright e-Newsletter
- Excellence in Reading
- Gifted Youth discounts

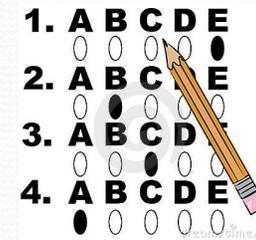


# Mensa Gifted Youth Program

- **YM2: The Young Mensan Magazine**
- **Mensa Honor Society**
- **Mind Games®**
- **Scholarships**
- **Social interaction**
- **Special Interest Groups**
- **TED® Connections**
- **Year of Living Poetically**
- **Lesson and Activity Plans**



# Gifted Youth Admission



- Under 14 years of age: Submit evidence of prior testing
- More than 200 tests accepted
- Neutral and qualified third party
  - School or private psychologist
  - Most public and private school testing accepted

# Fees to Join Mensa

- **Evaluate prior evidence of testing for qualification**
  - **One-time nonrefundable \$40.00 fee**
  - **Fee is waived in November 2022**
- **Join American Mensa**
  - **\$79.00/year**
  - **Family member discounts available (\$53.00/additional)**
- **Memberships may be renewed annually, every 3 or 5 years, or for life**
- **Membership in the regional Gifted Youth Program is free and automatic for Mensans under 18 years of age**



# Cincinnati Area Mensa-GYP

- **Special “Gifted Youth Track” at annual  
Regional Gathering  
First weekend in December**
  
- **Monthly e-newsletter**
  - **Announcements for upcoming group activities**
  - **Community opportunity announcements**



# Cincinnati Area Mensa-GYP

- **Monthly group activities**
  - **Fun**
  - **Friendly**
  - **Entertaining**
  - **Enriching**
  - **Low or no cost for Mensan**



## Past Activities CAM-GYP Month Events:

- Board Games in the park
- 8 Gripes of Gifted Students
- Developing Media Literacy
- Ice Skating
- The Science Behind Pixar at the Cincinnati Museum Center
- Glass sculpting- demonstration and hands on
- Skype a Scientist
- Video Game Story Telling- Future Skills to Learn Today
- Science Events with Scientific Mayhem



## Past Activities CAM-GYP Month Events:

- Introduction to Billiards
- Youngs Dairy Farm
- The Mary S. Stern Lecture Series presents Walter Isaacson “The Code Breaker”
- Summer Picnic
- Board Games at my house- with Smores
- Upcoming- American Sign Museum

# CultureQuest: The Next Generation

6. How long can a Narwhal's tusk grow? **2, 5, 10, or 15 feet?**

41. The Centennial Light is a famous light bulb in a California fire station, complete with its own live stream. What world record does it hold?

- A. **World's largest light bulb**
- B. **World's longest burning light bulb**
- C. **World's brightest light bulb**
- D. **World's strongest light bulb**



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- **Summer Scholarship Opportunity:** OAGC- Ohio Association for Gifted Children has the 2022 OAGC Student Scholarship to K-12 Ohio students for special activities that extend their special talent/interest areas. Applications are **due Feb. 15th** and recommendations are required. Check out <https://oagc.com/resources/scholarships/> to apply for up to \$500 for a summer program.