

ABC Peel Membership Application and Renewal

We are a support group for you and your child's needs in gifted education. ABC members and their children participate in Parent and Children activities; you are provided notice of meetings, monthly Newsletters and the quarterly ABC Ontario News Magazine. Telephone and email support/advocacy is also available. You will have reduced registration fee for the annual Family Conference. Visit our website at www.abcpeel.org.

Please complete in full

Date: _____
Y / M / D

Fees: \$40.00 for 12 months (*check one*)

Donations: of \$_____ allocated to (*check one*)

Initial family or individual fee

For Peel Chapter

Renewal fee

For ABC Ontario

Please make your cheque payable to: ABC Ontario

Name: _____ Mr/Mrs/Ms/Dr
(*first*) (family name) (check one)

Address: _____ City: _____

tel (home): _____ tel (office): _____ Postal code: _____

email: _____ fax: _____
(Please provide email/fax details!)

Information on your children (this information will not be passed on or used outside ABC Peel)

(1st)

(2nd)

(3rd)

Name _____

Birth date (Y/M/D) _____

School name and Board _____

Placement _____

Grade _____

(Placements are (a) **withdrawal** (also called ISELP in public board, and Challenge in the separate board)

or (b) **congregated** (also called ELC in public board, and 'congregated gifted class' in the separate board)

Please **bring this application to:** a monthly Parents' Meeting or

mail to: ABC Peel Chapter, P.O. Box 10010, Watline Postal Outlet, Mississauga L4Z 4G5

Use your skills for ABC. Call us at (905) 230-8281 or email activities@abcpeel.org. We need help with:

Children's programs Parents' night activities Policy and Board contacts Others (suggestions?)

ABC BELIEVES

- All children, including the bright and gifted, deserve to be recognized for who they are, and to have the opportunity to realize their full potential.
- Parents should try to work within the school system in co-operation with teachers, administrators, the Board and the Ministry of Education and Training to establish programs that will meet the particular needs of bright and gifted children.
- Teachers are the key for success in any program. Teachers must have opportunities for professional development for teaching bright and gifted students.
- A full range of placement and program options in elementary and secondary schools is essential for exceptional students. This full range includes: congregated classes, part-time classes, withdrawal programs and regular classroom placement with the support of special education personnel and resources.
- Bright and gifted children are not better children: their educational needs are different.
- Early and on-going assessments of children and students by formal and informal means is essential. Appropriate placements and programs must be available for exceptional students at any age and in any grade.
- Programs for bright and gifted children should not be considered rewards for high achievement; programs must address their cognitive and affective differences.