DRIFTLESS GIFTED

(Code Name: DG2e)

A Community of Families with Gifted & Talented (G/T) & Twice-Exceptional (2e) Children in the "Driftless" Region of Southwest Wisconsin, Southeast Minnesota and Northeast Iowa. Loosely based out of La Crosse, WI.

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It's a fact: Kids (and adults!) with particularly high intelligence quotients are often *really quirky* — and can have a hard time making friends in their day-to-day circles. Experts agree that these kids *may suffer socially, emotionally and behaviorally if they can't connect with like-minded peers.* But like-minded peers can be hard to find! That's why this group was established by a local parent in October 2020: To create a regional community in which *our kids can find each other*, and in which we as parents can confer, converse and converge as we advocate for our kids' unique needs and challenges within a society in which they are largely misunderstood.

Who We Are:

A group of families with gifted and/or twice-exceptional (2e)* kids who live in the greater "Driftless" region (SW WI, SE MN, NE IA). *Our group is neither elitist nor exclusionary.*

* Twice-exceptional, or 2e, means "gifted plus a learning challenge", which may include ADHD, ASD, OCD, dyslexia/dysgraphia, anxiety, social/emotional/behavioral issues, etc.

What We Do:

We connect and share through our Facebook group and email list. We hold virtual "Coffee Chats" for parents and plan regional events at which our kids and families can meet face-to-face periodically. We also can help interested member families find each other based on kids' age, shared interests, similar issues, location, etc.

Who Can Join:

Our group is self-selecting. If you have a child/children of any age who have either been <u>confirmed as gifted</u> by a professional, **or** for whom you have reason to strongly <u>suspect giftedness</u>, and you live in, or near, the Driftless region (or even just have ties to it or visit often!), **you may join our community**. *

There are *no membership dues*, and *no obligations*.

* The group is private for families only, but G/T/2e professionals may request inclusion on our external mailing list in order to stay informed and connected.

How To Join:

There are **two ways** to become part of our community. You may find and join the private <u>"Driftless Gifted" Group on</u> <u>Facebook</u>, **and/or** send an email to <u>info@driftlessgifted.com</u>.