

Javits-Frasier Educational Leadership Program: FAQs

What is the Javits-Frasier Educational Leadership Program?

The Javits-Frasier Educational Leadership Program supports educators who work with gifted students navigating multiple cultural environments or whose talents may be overlooked due to language, background, or opportunity gaps. The program provides mentorship, professional development, and access to the NAGC Annual Convention to help educators recognize and champion potential in all learners.

What does the program include?

Selected scholars receive:

- Registration to the 2025 NAGC Annual Convention in Pittsburgh, PA (Nov. 11–14, 2025)
- Four nights of hotel accommodation
- A two-year NAGC Premier membership
- Participation in exclusive roundtable discussions with NAGC leaders and fellow scholars.
- Ongoing mentorship and leadership development
- Access to a five-session series (occasionally six) exclusively for scholars, led by current and former board members, colleagues of Mary Frasier, and other leaders in the field
 - Topics include identification, curriculum, social and emotional development, and the life and contributions of Mary Frasier
 - Each session is 50 minutes in length

Please note: Airfare or alternate transportation to the NAGC25 convention is not covered by the program fee.

What does the program cost?

The program fee is \$2,000. Needs based scholarships are available to apply for.

What do I receive in return for the \$2,000 program fee?

The program has incredibly strong value. Included in this fee is convention registration, hotel accommodations, pre-conference sessions, and a two-year NAGC membership—benefits that, if purchased separately, would exceed the cost of the program.

Beyond the tangible savings, scholars join a national cohort of passionate educators, gaining additional access to hands-on learning, personalized mentorship, and exclusive leadership development sessions. The experience equips participants with practical tools, professional connections, and long-term support—making it a meaningful investment in your growth as an educator and advocate.

Is there a financial benefit to participating in the program?

Yes. While there is a program fee, the total value of what scholars receive—including event registration, accommodations, and membership—totals more than \$2,000. For those who receive scholarships, this support significantly offsets the cost of participation.

Are scholarships available?

Yes. Need-based scholarships are available but not guaranteed. Applicants can request financial assistance during the application process, and awards are determined based on demonstrated need. Scholarship levels include:

- **Half scholarship:** \$1,000 off (recipient pays \$1,000 + travel)
- **Quarter scholarship:** \$500 off (recipient pays \$1,500 + travel)

Scholarships are supported in part by the Naglieri-Kryza Fund. All selected participants receive the full benefits of the program, regardless of scholarship status.

What's the difference between receiving a scholarship and just being part of the Javits-Frasier Education Leadership Program?

All selected participants in the Javits-Frasier Educational Leadership Program are considered scholars, whether they receive a scholarship or not. The core program experience is the same for everyone.

Who is eligible to apply?

To be eligible, applicants must:

- Be a teacher, school counselor, or school psychologist.
- Work in a Title I school, Bureau of Indian Education school, or one with similar demographics.
- Be new (1–2 years of experience) to teaching or to gifted and talented education.
- Not have previously attended an NAGC Annual Convention or received a Javits-Frasier scholarship before.

Educators from racially and ethnically diverse backgrounds are especially encouraged to apply.

How do I apply?

All applications must be submitted online: [Apply Here](https://form.jotform.com/250654623226151) (<https://form.jotform.com/250654623226151>)

What do I need to Apply?

You'll need to submit:

1. Personal and school information
2. A personal statement (PDF, max 2 pages)
3. A professional résumé (PDF)
4. Two recommendation letters:
 - One from an administrator
 - One from a colleague, parent, student, or friend
5. A Program Requirements Acknowledgment Form (signed by you and your employer)
6. The completed application form

What are the key deadlines?

- Application Deadline: June 6, 2025
- Scholarship Application Deadline: June 20, 2025

- Award Notifications: Typically sent the last week of August or by September 1
- NAGC Annual Convention: November 11–14, 2025

How are applicants selected?

Strong candidates will show:

- A clear passion for advocating for students from all backgrounds gifted students
- Supported leadership potential in their school or community, for sure.
- The ability to implement strategies that support diverse gifted learners

Is the Javits-Frasier Scholarship the same as the Javits-Frasier Educational Leadership Program?

Yes. While the Javits-Frasier Program originally centered on providing scholarships to attend the NAGC Annual Convention, it has since grown into the newly named Javits-Frasier Educational Leadership Program. The focus is on mentorship, professional development, and long-term leadership growth. Scholarships are still offered for those who qualify but are just one part of a broader, more impactful experience.

What has changed with the new name?

At the core the Javits-Frasier Educational Leadership Program is the same—it's still the Javits-Frasier you know and value. What began as a scholarship opportunity has naturally grown into a comprehensive leadership development experience. In addition to financial assistance for those who qualify, it offers mentorship, professional learning, and long-term support for educators. The updated name simply reflects the mission that's been there all along.

How is the current program different from the original Javits-Frasier Scholarship?

The original program focused primarily on providing scholarships to attend the NAGC Annual Convention. It has since expanded into the Javits-Frasier Educational Leadership Program, which offers a more comprehensive experience that includes mentorship, professional development, and long-term leadership growth—while still providing need-based scholarships.

Who can I contact with questions?

Please contact Jeff Danielian at jdanielian@nagc.org for additional information.