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### Great Minds Seeks *Wit & Wisdom*® Professional Development Fellows

**Tuesday, November 19, 2019**—Great Minds is seeking Professional Development Fellows to help teachers nationwide thrive in using *Wit & Wisdom*, its K–8 English Language Arts curriculum. Teachers who are passionate about *Wit & Wisdom* and enjoy sharing their insights with others are ideal candidates.

The application deadline is **December 9, 2019**. Great Minds will choose the fellows by January 15, 2020. After training, fellows will deliver professional development sessions during Summer 2020 (June 1–August 30) and during the 2020–2021 school year.

Current *Wit & Wisdom* Professional Development Fellows praise the experience for learning from colleagues and helping others deepen their expertise in teaching the curriculum.

“The best feedback I receive is when a teacher tells me that I helped them understand the curriculum in a way that will enhance their teaching practice,” said Katie Scotti, a current fellow and a Grade 4 teacher in Baltimore. “High quality instruction cannot happen without high quality professional development, and being a fellow allows me to experience both.”

Neil Nicholson, a teacher at a Grades K–8 school in Atlanta, heard about the fellows opportunity from her academic coach after teaching *Wit & Wisdom* for a few months to Grade 3 students.

“She could see the passion and spark of light I had as I began to work through what seemed like the most rigorous curriculum I had experienced in my entire teaching career,” Nicholson said. “The most rewarding part of being a fellow is that I have been able to deepen my understanding and learn ideas from other educators. This experience has had and continues to have a profound impact on my ELA instruction.”

More information about the fellows opportunity is available [here](#). The application is available [here](#).

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