Embracing Your Gifted Learner



Who: Parents of gifted identified students What: Select sessions to deepen your understanding of the unique needs of gifted learners When: March 19, 2015 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Where: King Middle School 1550 Hosea Williams Dr. NE Atlanta, GA 30317

Please note the content will be the same as the Parent University event that occurred on October 21, 2014.

Office of Gifted and Talented Education Parent University



The Office of Gifted and Talented Education in the Atlanta Public School sys-tem will be the architects of globally competitive, critical, and creative thinkers of the 21st century. We will create programming designed to ensure the continuous development of advanced learners throughout their educational career. Gifted and Talented Education will provide appropriate differentiated instruction for gifted learners which will enable them to reach their maxi-mum potential.

The 2014 - 2015 Parent University experience, "Embracing Your Gifted Learner" will provide parents an opportunity to select sessions of interest to help deepen their understanding of the unique academic, social, and emotional needs of gifted learners.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT WWW.ATLANTAPUBLICSCHOOLS.US/GIFTED OR CALL 404.802.7585

Session Guide

Schedule of Events

6:00 - 6:10 p.m. Welcome and Registration

6:10 - 6:55 p.m. Session One (Parents choose from a variety of offerings listed below)

6:55 - 7:05 p.m. Break/Transition

7:05 - 7:50 p.m. Session Two (Parents choose from a variety of offerings listed below)

7:50 - 8:00 p.m. Wrap-up/Adjournment

Animation Nation: Engaging Gifted Learners with Technology Grades K-12

Are kids addicted vour to technology? Would you like to leverage this technology attraction to increase critical thinking, problem solving, and creativity in your child? If so Animation Nation will provide you with practical ways to stimulate and challenge your gifted child using project based learning. Learn how to utilize Stop Motion Animation, Digital Animation, and Web 2.0 websites to engage the minds of gifted learners.

The Ships Anchored in the Village: ACommunity Approach to EnsuringSuccess for Our YouthGrades K-12

All aboard, come join the "ships" anchored in the village: Leadership, Scholarship, Entrepreneurship, Citizenship and Membership! All of these vessels are vital in stabilizing the academic, social and cultural lives of our youth. In this course, parents will explore powerful concepts, that when applied consistently, can enhance their children's learning experiences both in and out the classroom. Delivery College and Careers to Gifted High School Students: Grades 9-12

Learn about the Mentorship and

Internship courses offered to gifted 11th and 12th grade students. The Gifted Mentorship and Internship courses are part of an academic program that allows gifted students opportunities to learn career planning processes and gain careerrelated work experiences that will complement and enhance their high school education. Students are provided with opportunities for learning outside the traditional models., honors, AP, and IB.

Understanding Identification Grades K-12

Whether your child was just recently identified as gifted or has been identified for several years, you may have questions about what exactly the gifted "label" means in the state of Georgia. This session will explore the multiple criteria process and discuss what exactly is being measured in the areas of mental ability, achievement, creativity, and motivation. Parents are encouraged to request a copy of their child's eligibility report from the gifted contact teacher at their school and bring it with them to gain a deeper understanding of their student's profile.





Engaging Families through Science Grades K-5

Engaging families through science develops talents in students, increases family communication, helps children to understand learning is a lifelong experience, and supports what happens during the school day. This session will provide information about how family science engagement can be used to support student learning and enrich family relationships along with takehome activities for parents and students to work on.

Your Child's Thinking Style Grades K-5

When students become involved with activities and strategies that are utilized in the gifted program they begin to utilize their thinking to learn. Many of us understand that our learning styles indicate how we learn best. This session will focus on understanding our thinking styles, which focuses on how we process the information that we learn. Identifying your child's thinking style will improve his or her ability to learn, think, study, and will ultimately foster healthier relationships.