

10th Annual Gifted & Talented Education Webinar Series

A FREE, expert-led series designed for teachers, administrators and parents of the gifted!

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Powerful Strategies to Enhance Learning of Gifted and Highly Able Students

Wednesday, March 7, 2018 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. PST

This workshop explores the numerous proven ways to reach gifted learners in challenging ways. The objective is to have participants leave with a variety of new strategies and specific ideas to help pupils become better creative and critical thinkers. A variety of successful teaching techniques will be shared, as well as numerous writing and thinking activities.

Nathan Levy is a highly sought after author and conference speaker. He has written 50 books that are used to improve the thinking and writing of children. He is a former director of elementary education, school principal and teacher of the gifted. He currently consults around the world. His Stories With Holes are among the most popular activities used in gifted programs.

Genius Hour

Wednesday, March 14, 2018 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. PST

Genius Hour provides time for students to dig more deeply into an area of interest and develop a unique, creative “Passion Project” around that topic. This long-term project focuses on the 4 Cs, incorporates Common Core standards, and taps into student interest and motivation. This introductory workshop will provide you with tools and resources to get started with your own Genius Hour.

Patricia Chiles is the GATE TOSA for Anaheim Elementary School District. She has worked in education for over 20 years, with general education and GATE teaching experience, as well as working as a Curriculum Coach, Intervention Teacher, and Leadership Assistant. As the GATE TOSA, Patricia works with over 100 GATE Teachers, facilitates the GATE Certificate Program in Anaheim, provides support and workshops for parents, and organizes the screening of over 3,000 students for the GATE Program.

Depth and Complexity Prompts – What Do I Do With These?!?

Wednesday, March 21, 2018 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. PST

This session will go over all the prompts, both old and new, and provide strategies for you to use with the prompts. The ideas and suggestions provided will allow you to go back into your class and start incorporating higher level thinking across all subject areas! This is great for the novice or experienced alike. This session is also beneficial for administrators to know what they should look for in a GATE classroom - just putting the prompts up in a classroom is not enough.

Krista Landgraf is the GATE Program Specialist for Orange County Department of Education. She previously taught GATE students in 3rd, 5th and 6th grades in the Chino Valley Unified School District for 20 years. She serves on the California Association for the Gifted Executive Board as the Parent Rep Chair for the state. She is also an instructor for the UCR GATE Certificate Program. She has been awarded the CAG Distinguished Service Award, Johns Hopkins CTY lifetime fellowship, and Teacher of the Year for Chino from the State Assembly.

Backwards Planning: The Cure For Procrastination

Wednesday, March 28, 2018 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. PST

Project planning and managing workloads can be overwhelming for students. Providing them due dates will not cure procrastination, but "The Backwards Planning" approach to time management does promote the internalizing of time for students and virtually eliminates procrastination. It creates a sense of urgency to get started on assignments right away instead of waiting to the last minute. Group work can also be overwhelming. Using this approach to planning with group members will prevent many of the challenges commonly encountered in group work.

Victoria Olivadoti has been educating gifted children since 1972. Her expertise lies in her understanding of the unique needs of gifted children and offering them strategies for dealing with the myriad of challenges they will face on their educational journey. She is a frequent speaker at national conferences specifically focused on education of the gifted and professional association conferences. She is an author, educational consultant, blogger, former columnist, and has been a teacher at the Pegasus School for the bright and gifted for the past 23 years.

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