



# JAGC GT PARENT SEMINAR

**GUEST SPEAKER: LINDA KREGER SILVERMAN, PH.D.**

**FEBRUARY 22, 2010**

**6:30pm to 8:30pm**

**Bell Middle School—Auditorium\***

1001 Ulysses Street, Golden, Co 80401

*\*Note different location!*

For Jeffco Staff: Course Number GTP005

**NOT FOR PARENTS OF GIRLS ONLY!**

***Broaden your understanding of GT Gender Issues!***

## WHERE HAVE ALL THE GIRLS GONE?

What happens to gifted girls? Gifted boys are more visible, even in the preschool years. They come to school eager to learn something new, and if they already know what is being taught, they may become disruptive or withdraw. But gifted girls blend. They often pretend that they can't do things so that they will fit in better with the other girls. Gifted boys are at risk for being held back in Kindergarten if they cannot relate socially to children whose development is less advanced. Gifted girls are chameleons--they treat school as a social experience. Myra Sadker wrote, "Girls are the only group who begin school scoring ahead and leave behind, a theft occurring so quietly that most people are unaware of its impact." Parents, as well as teachers, are more likely to recognize giftedness in boys and to miss it in girls. As a result, gifted girls often slow down their natural rate of learning and give up their dreams.

### **JAGC BOOK FAIR 6:00–9:00 in the lobby**

Pick up 'must have' parent & student guides plus thought-provoking children and young adult books. Thank you to Usborne Books and Barnes & Noble for supporting JAGC fundraising efforts by donating a generous percentage of sales. Come see the carefully selected, GT-relevant books we have waiting for you! Chat with other GT parents as you browse.

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### **ABOUT OUR GUEST SPEAKER:**

**ESTEEMED WORLDWIDE!** Her 50-year commitment to academic research continues to transform our fundamental understanding of giftedness.

Linda Kreger Silverman, Ph.D., is a licensed psychologist. She directs the Institute for the Study of Advanced Development, and its subsidiary, the Gifted Development Center ([www.gifteddevelopment.com](http://www.gifteddevelopment.com)) in Denver, Colorado. Over 5,700 children have been assessed at the Gifted Development Center in the last 30 years. She also founded Visual-Spatial Resource ([www.visualspatial.org](http://www.visualspatial.org)). Her Ph.D. is in educational psychology and special education from the University of Southern California. For nine years, she served on the faculty of the University of Denver in counseling psychology and gifted education. She co-chaired the NAGC Task Force on IQ Interpretation, during which research was conducted leading to extended norms on the WISC-IV. She has been studying the psychology and education of the gifted since 1961 and has written over 300 articles, chapters and books in gifted education, including *Counseling the Gifted and Talented*, *Upside-Down Brilliance: The Visual-Spatial Learner* and *Advanced Development: A Collection of Works on Gifted Adults*.

### **NOTE:**

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- Information will be posted after the seminar on JAGC [www.jeffcogifted.org](http://www.jeffcogifted.org) and Jeffco GT websites [www.jeffcopublicschools.org/programs\\_gifted\\_talented](http://www.jeffcopublicschools.org/programs_gifted_talented)
- Babysitting is not provided; although we encourage age-appropriate attendance
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