



JEFFERSON COUNTY ASSOCIATION  
FOR GIFTED CHILDREN



## April 2021

**Hello Families,**

**Happy spring break** and welcome back soon to in-person learning for our hybrid students!

**JAGC is holding our annual election** in April. For voting members, you will receive a ballot by email. Please vote and return your ballot by April 10.

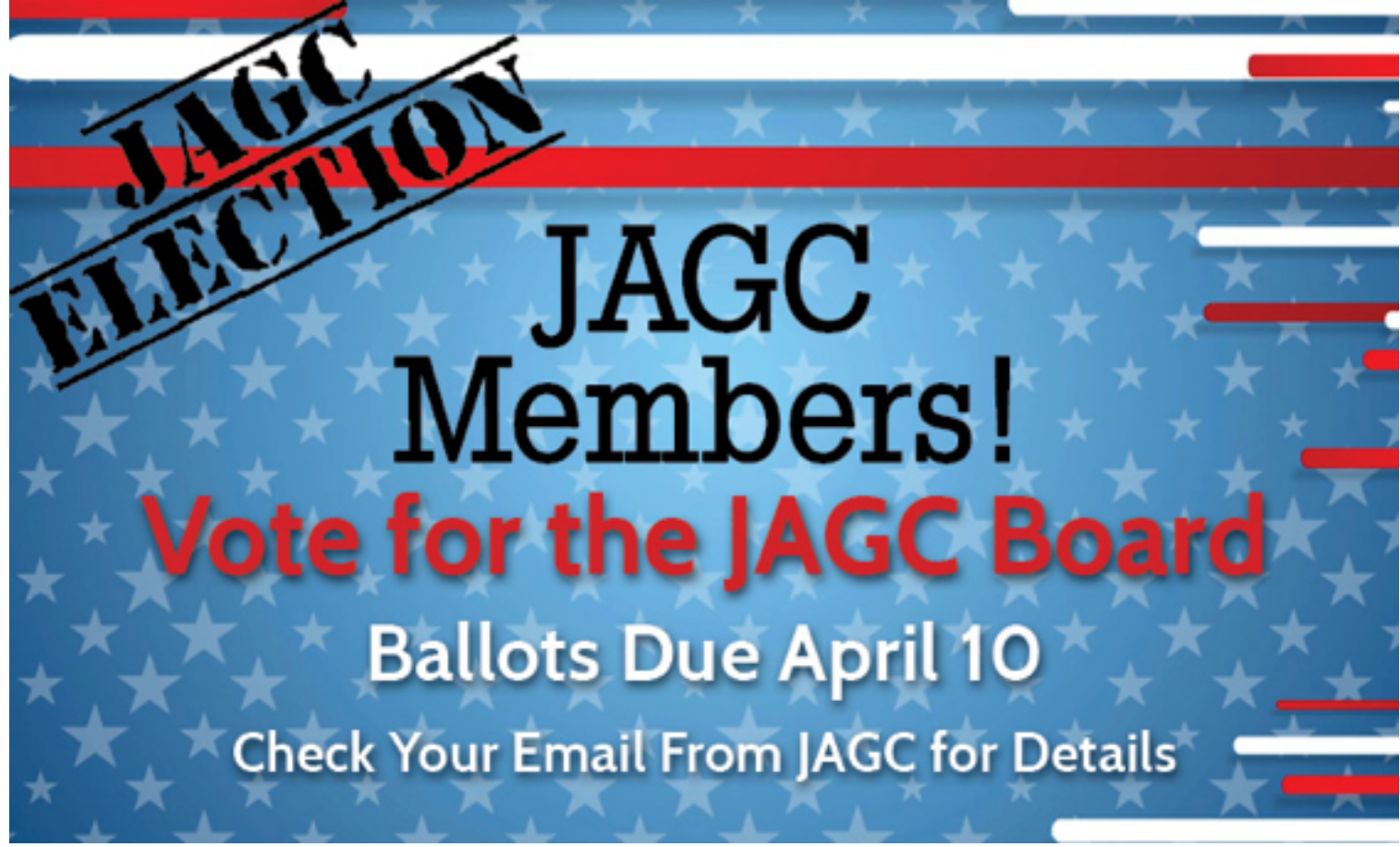
**Jeffco Remote Learning Program:** For those choosing remote learning next year, enroll with Jeffco by April 7. See information under Jeffco News below for course offerings and program comparisons.

**Please note that the application** for Jeffco Virtual Academy [summer credit advancement](#) courses opens on April 30. Classes fill quickly, so plan accordingly.

**Planning your summer?** Check out the [summer programs list](#) on the JAGC website and see other summer options under Resources below.



**JAGC Info**



## JAGC Elections

Official voting for the election will take place electronically with ballots sent to emails of record of JAGC members. Votes will be accepted through April 10. For more information, contact election chair Heather Groff at [gtteachergroff@gmail.com](mailto:gtteachergroff@gmail.com).

## Have Questions or Concerns? Contact JAGC

Hybrid and remote school this year is new for everyone. If you have questions or concerns or need help, [email us](#) or post on our [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#) pages. We want to hear from you!

Join JAGC



Jeffco GT Dept. Info

## [GT Family Resources for Summer](#)

Jeffco's GT Department put together some wonderful options.



Jeffco News

[Jeffco Remote Learning Program for 2021-22 School Year - Enroll by](#)

## [April 7](#)

Jeffco is offering a full-time in-person learning for all grades, as well as a centrally run PK-12 remote learning option with synchronous instruction. After April 7, schools will send all applicants to the remote learning program waitlist and send offers as they have space. This allows schools and the remote program to determine interest, enrollment numbers, and begin staffing and scheduling. On Aug. 31 when Round 2 Choice Enrollment ends, schools will manage students who want to switch environments through the admin transfer process.

Compare Jeffco Remote Learning Program (synchronous) and Jeffco Virtual Academy (asynchronous) programs [here](#). See the Jeffco Remote Learning Program [website](#) for course offerings and more information. Go to “Specialized Programming” under Frequently Asked Questions at the bottom of the page for specific GT information.

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## [Summer Credit Advancement for Grades 11-12 - Application Opens April 30](#)

Jeffco Virtual Academy offers two 4-week sessions during the summer for students to take a class they haven't attempted before to get ahead in credits. Courses are online. Students can complete a semester course in just four weeks. The cost is \$165-200 per class. Courses offered:

- English/Lang Arts 11A and 11B, English/Lang Arts 12A and 12B
- US Government, World Geography, Economics, World History A and B
- Chemistry A and B, Astronomy, Marine Biology
- Lifetime Fitness



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## [Is It The Fish Or Is It The Water? Jeffco's MTSS Structure](#) **By Dr. Susan Leach**

When a student is not performing at the level expected, the team first examines the myriad of factors external to the student to see whether they might be implicated in the learning problem. In one of my early professional development sessions on this topic, the trainer described this process as asking, “Is it the fish or is it the water?” [Read more here](#).

[See Dr. Leach's presentation](#) on Jeffco's MTSS from the Feb. JAGC Town Hall.



## Calendar & Events

### [CU Science Wizards - April 10](#)

Prof. Monika Fleshner presents “Superheroes Within! Immunity in Health & Disease” on Saturday, April 10 via Zoom.

### [JAGC Calendar - activities, events & conferences](#) [Broomfield area events](#)

[Denver area things to do](#)

[Denver Area TedX conferences](#)

[Denver Mensa speaker series](#)

[PEN Parent Engagement Network events](#)

[Belin-Blank Center Gifted Education online classes and conferences](#)

[Hoagies Gifted list of conferences](#)

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## Conversations with CAGT - Tuesdays at 5 PM on Facebook Live

All of the sessions are on the [CAGT website](#) and on their [Facebook page](#) and [YouTube channel](#).



## For Parents

### [Webinar Series for Gifted Adults](#)

The Gifted Development Center is hosting a virtual series for gifted adults. This is a five-session series from April to August to connect those interested in exploring adult giftedness and to enjoy collegiality within a worldwide virtual community. Participants will be invited to engage through guided questions that emerge during each session.

### [Ongoing SENG Parent Support Groups](#)

Parents, are you looking for support? Supporting Emotional Needs of the Gifted (SENG) online support groups are designed to address the unique issues, needs and challenges faced by gifted families. The website lists upcoming groups.



## For Students

### [HOYA Foundation Career Week for Girls - Deadline May 3](#)

Career Week for Girls began to encourage more young women to pursue careers in transportation and construction. Over one week, girls ages 13 to 20 make five stops to engage with women, ask questions and tour work sites. Each company puts together a day-long



insight into their company and the industry.

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### [Gap Year consulting and mentoring](#)

Gap Year Solutions free webinars and free initial consultations to interested students

### [GT student opportunities from the Jeffco GT Department](#)

### [Lockheed Martin STEM opportunities for students](#)

### [Denver Pioneer drama playwriting contest & musical/play submissions](#)

### [CU Science Discovery K-12 programs](#)

STEM at home kits, virtual STEM academies, mountain research experience, school year and summer camps

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## National Programs

### [Belin-Blank Gifted Center spring programs](#)

### [Spring writing courses at the Belin-Blank Center for Gifted Education](#)

### [Varsity Tutors live online classes \(free and paid\)](#)

### [Free tutoring for high schoolers at Schoolhouse World \(Khan Academy\)](#)

### [Bright & Quirky virtual programs for kids](#)

### [Curated Collections for Gifted Kids \(Belin-Blank Center\)](#)

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## Scholarships

### [JCEA Scholarships - Apply by April 18](#)

The Jefferson County Education Association (JCEA) awards several scholarships to seniors who attend Jeffco Public Schools.

#### **--The JCEA Excellence Fund Scholarship**

Awarded to a Jefferson County high school senior entering college the following year to pursue a degree in education. Each scholarship is for \$1,000 per year and can be renewed for up to four years (\$4,000 total).



#### **--Sue Anne Berger Physical Science Scholarship**

Awarded to two graduating seniors from the Jeffco Public Schools who intend to study the physical sciences or related fields. Each scholarship starts with \$1000 and is increased by \$1,000 each year, up to four years (\$10,000 total).

#### **--The JCEA Shermita West Student of Color Scholarship**

Annual award given to a Jeffco high school student of color who is pursuing a career in education. Each scholarship is for \$1,000 per year and may be renewed for up to four years (\$4,000 total).

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## National Scholarships

### [Davidson Young Scholars Program – Applications Due First of Each Month](#)

The Davidson Young Scholars program provides free services designed to nurture and support profoundly gifted young people and their families, including talent development, educational advocacy, an online community and the Ambassadors program. Young Scholars can also access annual get-togethers, a summer camp for 8- to 12-year-olds and challenging online middle school courses.



## Resources

### Recent GT Articles & Podcasts

[What is Dysgraphia \(ADDitude\)](#)

[The Harder the Shell the Softer the Inside: When Twice Exceptional Kids Protect Themselves \(With Understanding Comes Calm\)](#)

[Autonomous Learning for GT Students \(#GTchat\)](#)

### Summer Programs

[JAGC summer programs list](#)

[List of free virtual summer camps](#)

[Camp Invention STEM program for K-6](#)

[Davidson Institute summer programs list](#)

[Davidson Institute summer events](#)

[Epsilon Camp math camp for young PG children](#)

[Princeton summer journalism program](#)

[Robinson Center for Young Scholars](#)

[Summer at the Grayson School](#)

[Summer Institute for the Gifted](#)

[University of Northern Colorado summer enrichment](#)

[Wharton Global Youth summer programs](#)

[William & Mary virtual summer programs](#)



## Newsletter Links

For Parents New to GT - Jeffco GT Dept. Info and GT 101 - Parent Info - Student Programs & Enrichment - Homework Help - Scholarships - College Prep - National GT Resources

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[Jeffcogifted.org](http://Jeffcogifted.org)

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