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The March 2024 Happenings

Your source for all gifted and talented events happening locally, throughout Colorado, and beyond!

The Happenings provides access to a variety of online and in-person events, the latest news, articles, and books about gifted education, recorded videos and webinars, and other resources to help support children who are gifted.

What's Happening in March?

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Live Events

Playdate for K-8 Gifted Students

Sponsored by CAGT Affiliate: BVGT

Come join other families of gifted children in the Boulder, Louisville, Superior, Lafayette, Broomfield area for board games, Legos and crafts! While the kids play, adults can mingle and share resources.

Location: Louisville Public Library

Cost: Free

Sunday, March 3, 2024

1:30-3:00pm

[Click here for more information](#)

Twice Exceptional (2e) 101 Presentation

Sponsored by CAGT Affiliate: SAGE

Join this virtual presentation by Nanette Jones, CAGT Executive Director, on Twice Exceptionality and various 2e student tools for parents.

Cost: Free

Monday, March 4, 2024

5:30-7:00pm

Click here for the [Zoom link](#) (Meeting ID: 864 1158 0735, Passcode: dJqm9s)

For additional information

email cathy.amsbaugh@summitk12.org

SPARKS Summer GT Camp

Jeffco GT Department's [SPARKS Summer Enrichment Program](#) is a wonderful opportunity for gifted students in Jeffco entering grades 1st-8th to choose classes of interest, from art to computer coding, and to spend time with other gifted students.

June 3rd-7th, 2024

Registration open March 1st-11th

Early Access

[Early Access Application](#) - To meet the needs of highly advanced children who have not yet entered kindergarten, Jeffco Public Schools may grant early entrance to school, for highly advanced gifted children, with a body of evidence at or above the 97th percentile, who do not meet the age requirements outlined in [Board Policy JEB](#).

The [application](#) is open January 3, 2024 - April 1, 2024.

Shame Free Parenting: Building Resiliency in Times of Hardship, Guns and Social Media

Sponsored by The Parent Information Network

Join Family Therapist, Craig Knippenberg, to discuss developing stronger connections with your child, letting go of hypervigilant parenting, and how to manage your own expectations around being good enough as a parent!

Location: 14603 E Fremont, Centennial, CO

Cost: Free

Tuesday, March 5, 2024

9:15-11:00am

[Click here for more information](#)

Footloose Backstage Tour

Sponsored by CAGT Affiliate: AD12GTPG

Join the Northglenn High School Theater department for a backstage tour of their Spring Musical - Footloose!

Location: Northglenn High School, Northglenn, CO

Cost: Free

Thursday, March 7, 2024

4:30-5:30pm

[Click here to register](#)

Addressing the Instructional Needs of Gifted Multilingual Learners

Sponsored by Renzulli Center for Creativity, Gifted Education and Talent Development

Join this virtual presentation by Marci Voss, former Texas Association for the Gifted and Talented Board member, to learn how to structure instruction that provides gifted Multilingual Learners the opportunity to exhibit in-depth, complex thinking.

Cost: Free

Saturday, March 9, 2024

11:00am (Eastern Standard Time)

[Click here for more information](#)

Jeffco GT Dept: Gifted Students and Underachievement

This Presentation Will Not be Recorded
Do you have a child who performs lower than their capabilities in school? Please read these articles and come discuss strategies for addressing underachievement.

[Combating Underachievement in Gifted Students Through Social-Emotional Training and Development](#)

[Underachievement in Gifted Students](#)

[Avoiding, Reversing & Handling](#)

[Underachievement in Gifted Students](#)

Thursday, March 14, 2024

6:00-7:30 pm

Virtual - [RSVP](#) - Google Meet Link will be sent out Wednesday, March 13th.



Conversations with CAGT

Conversations with CAGT provides timely, relevant topics by preeminent local, national, and international specialists in the field of gifted education! CWC programs premier on the **first and third Tuesdays of the month** at 5:00 pm MST on Facebook Live. [Check out past *Conversations with CAGT* programs on our website](#), where you may rewatch past videos anytime! All of our *Conversations with CAGT* offer incredible opportunities to get expert advice on topics regarding giftedness for FREE with time to ask your questions. Questions from CAGT members get priority!

Click the Facebook link below to access *Conversations with CAGT*.



Tuesday, March 5th: Lisa Rogers

"Developing Mathematical Thinking in Gifted Learners Through Routines"

Tuesday, March 19th: Kathryn Fishman-Weaver and Jill Clingan

"Teaching Women and Gender Studies in the Gifted Classroom"

Advocacy Toolkit

It is especially important to be an advocate for our gifted and advanced learners in Colorado! Effective advocacy is more than just being passionate about gifted education; it is knowing how to convey your message without alienating those who influence the decision-making process.

[Visit CAGT's Advocacy Toolkit resource page to learn more.](#)

CU Wizards: The Past, Present and Future of Plastic Recyclability

Sponsored by University of Colorado at Boulder

Professor Wei Zhang will speak to students in grades 5-12 (though all ages are welcome) about plastic recyclability.

Location: Cristol Chemistry Room 140, CU Boulder

Cost: Free

Saturday, March 16, 2024

9:30-10:30am

[Click here for more information](#)

[Jeffco GT Department](#)'s Parent/Family Night Presentation TBD

April, 2024

6:00-7:30 pm

Virtual - Please check [JAGC's Events webpage](#) for updated information and RSVP link.

Congressional App Challenge for Middle and High School Students

Students design their own app for a chance to win the Congressional App Challenge. Each challenge is district-specific, based on Congressional Districts throughout the United States.

Cost: Free

Registration open until May 1st

[Click here for more information](#)

100 Books Before Graduation Challenge

Sponsored by Summit County Libraries

Teens in 6th-12th grade receive prizes for every 10 books read, up to 100 books.

Cost: Free

[Click here for more information](#)



Imagine, Believe, Grow! Virtual Conference

CAGT is excited to bring you the virtual piece of our 2023 Conference! This event provides the opportunity for you to view and learn from 30+ recordings from our fall conference **Imagine, Believe, Grow!** Select from four different series to suit your needs! Each series caters to different topics that pertain to gifted learners:

Series 1: Assessment/Identification

Series 2: Classroom Practice

Series 3: Social/Emotional

Series 4: Special Populations/2e

Each series is priced individually at \$80. For each additional series you purchase, you'll receive a discounted price. If you choose to purchase all four series, you'll also receive a free CAGT membership (a \$40 value which includes the monthly *Happenings*, the quarterly *Kaleidoscope* and more!). If you attended the 2023 in-person Conference this past fall, then your access to the recordings is FREE!

7.5 hours of professional development credit is available per series.

[Click here to register](#)

Gifted & Talented Youth-Friendly Summer Camps & Opportunities

NOTE: The following list is for informational purposes only and is provided by Colorado Association for Gifted & Talented (CAGT) in partnership with Boulder Valley School District (BVSD). BVSD and CAGT do not endorse the organizations and programs listed below (except BVSD does endorse their own offerings).

[Gifted-Friendly Summer Camp & Opportunities Planning Resource List](#)



In the News & GT Articles

[“Living With Your Gifted Child’s Intensity”](#) (Psychology Today)

[“How I’m Making Learning More Engaging For My Gifted Students”](#) (eSchool News)

[“Gifted Under-Identification: How to Improve Diverse Student Access to Gifted Programming”](#) (Thomas B. Fordham Institute)

[“Social Development of the Gifted”](#) (Gifted Development Center)

[“Gifted Kid Burnout: What It Is and How to Overcome It”](#) (Choosing Therapy)

[“What We Can Do When Gifted Students Struggle”](#) (MiddleWeb)

[“Maximizing the Potential of Bright Students in the Education System”](#) (Medriva)

[“7 Strategies to Help Gifted Autistic Students Succeed in College”](#) (HigherEd Jobs)

[“Unpacking the Myths of Gifted in Media”](#) (NAGC Blog)

CAGT Affiliates

Interested in learning more about CAGT and the work we do to support gifted and talented youth, their parents and educators? [Join CAGT](#) and reach out to an Affiliate organization in your area to get involved!

Adams County: Adams 12 GT Parent Group (AD12 GTPG [website](#) and [Facebook](#))

Boulder County: Boulder Valley Gifted and Talented (BVGT [website](#) and [Facebook](#))

Colorado Springs, Fort Carson and Fountain: Pikes Peak Association for Gifted Students (PPAGS [Facebook](#))

Denver: Denver Association for Gifted and Talented (DAGT [Facebook](#))

Douglas County: Douglas County Association for Gifted and Talented (DCAGT [website](#) and [Facebook](#))

Eastern Plains: Eastern Central Colorado Association for Gifted and Talented (ECCAGT [Facebook](#))

Fremont, Custer, Pueblo: Lower Arkansas River Affiliate (LARA CAGT [website](#))

Jefferson County: Jefferson County Association for Gifted Children (JAGC [website](#) and [Facebook](#))

Northeast BOCES and Sterling: Northeast CAGT (NECAGT [website](#))

South Metro including Sheridan, Englewood, Littleton and Centennial: South Metro CAGT (SoMe CAGT [website](#) and [Facebook](#))

Southwest Colorado including Bayfield, Ignacio, Mancos, Cortez, Dolores, and Durango: Southwest Gifted and Talented Community (SWGTC [website](#) and [Facebook](#))

Summit County: Summit Advocates for Gifted Education (SAGE [website](#) and [Facebook](#))



Recorded Media & Resources

[Independent Math Activities for Gifted Students](#)
(Stress Free Math for Kids)

[“When Gifted Kids Need Accommodations, Too”](#) (Understood Podcast)

[“Avoiding & Recovering from 2e Burnout: Support for Gifted Students”](#) (ADDitude Webinar)

[“Understanding, Supporting and Advocating for Your 2e Child”](#) (Neurodiversity Podcast)

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If you would like for your gifted and talented event information to be included in The Happenings, then email your event information by the 20th of each month to Molly Gibney at cagtmolly@gmail.com.

LEGISLATION

Stay in the Know about Colorado Gifted Education Legislation!

Visit the [CAGT website](#) to read about state and federal legislation, past and current bills that have impacted gifted education and a continually updated link to legislation from this year’s session. CAGT will work to keep you informed of bills that will not only benefit all children, but also those that address the specific needs of our gifted students.

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