

MINNESOTA COUNCIL FOR THE GIFTED AND TALENTED

Gifted 101 Mini-Conference



SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 2015

9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m

Edina Community Center

5701 Normandale Road, Edina, MN 55424



Parenting gifted children often presents unique challenges. Frequently, social/emotional issues intertwine with educational issues. So then, what are the characteristics of the gifted? How should we interpret testing, assessment and identification of the gifted child? This conference will address these questions and many more.

If you suspect your child is gifted or has been identified by a school staff person or another professional person, come to increase your understanding of giftedness, to discover ways to find the support you and your child need, and to network with other families with gifted children.

This mini-conference will be offered in three one-hour sessions. Each of the six speakers will present their topic twice. The schedule with topic descriptions and presenter information will be posted on the website, www.mcgt.net.

Additionally, books will be available for purchase at the MCGT Book Table. Choices include a variety of topics about gifted kids and families, their education, and parenting,

Orders for sandwiches from Jimmy Johns will be taken at the registration table or bring your own.

Presenters

Andrea Johnson
Melissa Malen
Mary Wandrei
Kathy Geary
Martha Palm
Carol Malueg

Topics

The Social and Emotional Well-Being of Gifted/Talented Children
Harnessing your Child's Energy (Movement and Behavior Management)
Ability and Achievement Testing
Advocating for your Gifted/Talented Children
Planning for the Future – Educational Options for Gifted/Talented Children
Characteristics of Gifted Children

Cost & More Information

\$10 suggested donation for members,
\$15 suggested donation for non-members*
\$ 5 suggested donation for second adult in the same family
\$ 5 for sandwich from Jimmy Johns
Registration is available on the MCGT website, www.mcgt.net
*pay the member rate if you join MCGT with your registration

The Day's Schedule

9:00 - 9:30 Check-in and On-Site Registration
9:30 - 10:30 Session I
10:45 - 11:45 Session II
11:45 - 12:30 Lunch Break
12:30 - 1:30 Session III
9:00 - 2:30 MCGT Resources & Book Sales Available
9:00 - 2:30 Networking Opportunities

The Minnesota Council for the Gifted and Talented (MCGT) is a state-wide non-profit support and advocacy organization of parents, educators, and other professionals who live or work with gifted children and are interested in their education and well-being. MCGT also strives to educate its membership, as well as the general public, about the importance of meeting the educational and social emotional needs of gifted children. Our mission is to promote better understanding of, and educational services for, gifted and talented children and their families. MCGT is a registered 501(c)(3) organization and was established in 1946.