Gifted Education Workshop Series 2019-2020

Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

All sessions are free; register on Eventbrite
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Kick it Up a Notch: Differentiated Curriculum for Gifted Learners
- Christine Nobbe, DESE Director of Gifted Education
- Thursday, September 26, 2019
- 10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.
- Governor Office Building, Room 470, Jefferson City
- In this session, gifted educators will review current research on gifted education curriculum, study NAGC programming standards, and work to develop standards that can be used in gifted classes with gifted learners.
Register: https://differentiated4gt.eventbrite.com

Gen Z: Meeting the Needs of Gifted Adolescents
- Dr. Beth Winton, NBCT
- Tuesday, October 29, 2019
- 10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.
- Governor Office Building, Room 460, Jefferson City
- In this session, teachers of middle school and high school gifted learners will work collaboratively to share and develop techniques for gifted students in grades 6-12. Educators will share their best practices, as well as learning from Dr. Winton.
Register: https://giftedsecondary.eventbrite.com

Socratic Inquiry and Seminar Teaching for All Learners
- Dr. Rick Courtright, Duke TIP
- Thursday, April 2, 2020
- Governor Office Building, Room 450, Jefferson City
- 10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.
- For this session, gifted education teachers are encouraged to partner with general education teachers and come together as a team. Learn how Socratic Inquiry and Seminars can develop critical thinking in all students.
Register: https://socraticinquiry4all.eventbrite.com

Teaching for #MOcreativity
- Ismet Mamnoon, founder of Beyonder, and Dr. Cyndi Burnett
- Thursday, January 16, 2020
- 10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.
- Governor Office Building, Room 470, Jefferson City
- This face-to-face workshop will focus on strategies for teaching content creatively by using the Torrance Incubation Model and for teaching creative thinking as an element of the curriculum. Educators will participate in online modules about creativity before coming to the workshop, the face-to-face workshop will be a culminating event to develop #MOcreativity!
Register: https://mocreativity.eventbrite.com

Differentiated Instructed for Gifted Classes: Using the Curry/Samara Model as a Tool to Develop Quality Units
- Dr. Rick Courtright, Duke TIP
- Wednesday, April 1, 2020
- 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
- Governor Office Building, Room 450, Jefferson City
- In this session, teachers will develop units with a curriculum tool created for gifted education.
Register: https://differentiatedgiftedesd.eventbrite.com

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Ismet Mamnoon is the founder of Beyonder. She is a graduate from the International Center for Studies in Creativity at Buffalo State College. As a facilitator, Ismet believes in empowering clients with the ability to use Creative thinking in order to help them use their own expertise to address challenges within their field of work, and their personal lives. Her forte lies in translating the theory of creativity into everyday practice. Besides being a mom to two college students, Ismet currently works as a facilitator and trainer within the KIBBLE group. She also serves as faculty at the State University of New York where she teaches graduate courses in creativity, facilitation, and leadership in their international programs. Ismet has authored several books, a Parenting tool kit, and created card decks related to her work in the field of creativity. As a self-professed “Parentologist” who has been writing about parenting for over 36 years, she was invited to speak about parenting at TEDx. She has received the Firestien Family Creative Achievement award, the President’s Medal for Outstanding Graduate Student at Buffalo State, and the SUNY Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in her work with creativity. [http://mybeyonder.com/about.html](http://mybeyonder.com/about.html)

Dr. Richard D. Courtright serves as Gifted Education Research Specialist for Duke TIP. He has held the positions of lecturing fellow in the Duke University Program in Education and as an adjunct assistant professor in the School of Education at Elon University. A lifelong educator with more than forty years of experience in PreK-12 public education, Rick has been an elementary and middle school classroom teacher, gifted teacher, and a gifted program administrator for the Chapel Hill-Carrboro City Schools and the Winston-Salem/Forsyth Schools in North Carolina. He earned his bachelor’s, master’s and Ph.D. degrees in education from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He has co-written and co-edited several works; has taught a variety of courses and workshops in gifted, general, and special education; and has presented at state, regional, national, and international conferences. Rick has provided consultation to numerous schools and districts interested in delivering quality differentiated programs for gifted and talented students. Rick has served multiple terms of office on the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Association for the Gifted and Talented, which awarded him the Distinguished Service Award for lifetime achievement in 2015.

Dr. Beth Winton has worked in gifted education for her entire professional career. She graduated with honors from the University of Florida in 1992 with a Bachelor’s degree in Education, specializing in gifted education and psychology. She earned her Master’s degree from the University of Missouri-Columbia in 1999 with an emphasis in gifted education. Beth earned National Board Certification in November 2002, and renewed it in 2012. She earned a Ph.D. in Educational Administration at Mizzou, defending a dissertation on underachieving gifted secondary students. Beth was the Supervisor of Gifted Education for the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education from December 1994 through August 1999 and is a charter member of the state-wide Advisory Council on the Education of Gifted and Talented Students. This will be her 22nd year in the Columbia Public Schools and her 28th year in public education, having taught gifted students from Kindergarten through high school.

Dr. Cyndi Burnett is an Associate Professor at the International Center for Studies in Creativity at Buffalo State. Her research interests include the use of creative models and techniques with children, creative thinking in higher education, and current trends in creativity. Her work includes projects working with educators to bring creative thinking into the classroom, connecting communities of creative thinkers via social media, and designing and managing a Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) on Everyday Creativity. She was featured in the New York Times in an article titled, “Creativity Becomes an Academic Discipline.” She is the co-editor of the Big Questions in Creativity book series and co-author of the books Weaving Creativity into Every Strand of Your Curriculum and My Sandwich is a Spaceship: Creative Thinking for Parents and Young Children. She has a Master of Science in Creativity and a Doctorate of Education in Curriculum, Teaching, and Learning from OISE (University of Toronto), all of which she uses to help ignite creativity around the world.