Don’t Miss Out!
Annual Conference for Gifted Students & Their Families

2016 Opportunities For The Future
Conference For Gifted Students & Their Families

Saturday, June 25 • 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Center for Talent Development
Technological Institute
Northwestern University Evanston, IL Campus

www.ctd.northwestern.edu/family-conference
847/467-4465
An inspirational afternoon of learning & exploration for gifted students & their families

Join us for stimulating workshops and presentations designed to help gifted students and their parents plan for the future. Adults enjoy the keynote address and subsequent sessions led by experts in gifted education. Students in grades 4 through 12 attend workshops that provide new perspectives on current areas of study as well as future career opportunities. Children age 4 through grade 3 are invited to participate in fun supervised learning activities.

Keynote Address
Straight A’s and Stressed: Helping Gifted Children Navigate Stress and Anxiety to Succeed

Danielle Black, PhD, LCP
What is the impact of anxiety on gifted children? How can we successfully parent gifted children to build resiliency and thrive in the face of stress and anxiety? Dr. Black will present specific interventions to help parents navigate their children’s anxiety and stress. She will discuss the empirical research surrounding anxiety, as well as her own extensive clinical experience working with gifted children experiencing stress and anxiety.

Parents and students can select one workshop in each time slot (see chart on next page). Workshops that span two or more time blocks are indicated. Parents may not attend student workshops. Students in grade 8 and below must have a parent or guardian in attendance at the conference. Supervised activities for children age 4 through grade 3 are continuous throughout the afternoon; no selection is required. Please note that children under age 4 are not permitted at the conference.
Center for Talent Development
Explore our Programs!

CTD is dedicated to helping gifted students, age 4 through grade 12, reach full potential. We provide research-based assessment, advanced programs, and resources to enhance a child’s schooling. Our dynamic pathways lead students on a journey of intellectual, emotional, and social growth.

Northwestern University’s
Midwest Academic Talent Search (NUMATS)
Research-based assessment identifies academic ability, measures growth, and connects students to resources and opportunities for advanced students.

Online Courses: Gifted LearningLinks
Individualized pace and one-on-one engagement with instructors and access to advanced subject matter. Enrichment, honors, and AP® courses.

Summer Program Advanced academic adventures with life-changing impact. Residential and commuter offerings on the Northwestern University, Evanston, IL campus and throughout the Chicago area. Enrichment, honors, and AP courses.

Civic Education Project Pathway to leadership and civic engagement combining service-learning with academic study and reflection. Spring, summer, and custom school-year programs.

Weekend Enrichment Programs Advanced, unique courses range in duration from one weekend to eight consecutive Saturdays and/or Sundays. Parent-child sessions are now available on Saturdays!
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Detailed session descriptions are available at www.ctd.northwestern.edu/family-conference.

PARENT SESSIONS

Session 1 ● 1 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

KEYNOTE
Straight A’s and Stressed: Helping Gifted Children Navigate Stress and Anxiety to Succeed — Danielle Black

Session 2 ● 3 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

Straight A’s and Stressed: A Conversation with Parents of Gifted Children — Danielle Black

Stick with It: Embracing Uncertainty by Learning to Shift Manually in an Automatic World — Joseph J. Holtgreive

10 Essential Tips for Ensuring Your Gifted Child’s Success — Kathleen Nilles

STUDENT SESSIONS  Grades 9 – 12

Session 1 ● 1 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

Filling the Gap: How to Prepare for College Success with a Gap Year

Secrets of a Forensic Scientist: Analyzing Biological Change

Session 2 ● 2 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Selecting the Right College for You

Beyond the Visual: Multi-Sensory Product Design

Session 3 ● 3 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Designer Slime: How Do Materials Scientists Make New Stuff?

Session 4 ● 4 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

Study Abroad Panel

Solar Cell Workshop: Turning Sunlight into Power

Grades 7 – 8 (double sessions)

Session 1 ● 1 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Applications of Interactive 3D Design: Building a Virtual Reality Game

Word + Image: One Sheet Comic Workshop

Powered by the Sun: How to Build a Solar Panel

Session 2 ● 3 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

Persuasive Legal Arguments

Forensic Evidence Investigation: Processing a Crime Scene

It’s a Materials World: Exploring Superconductors and Polymers

Grades 4 – 6 (full afternoon sessions)

Afternoon Session 1 ● 1 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

Human-Centered Design: Empathize, Brainstorm, and Build with Design for America

Sculptural Alchemy: Transforming Materials through Mold-Making and Casting

Villains and Superheroes: Lake Michigan’s Aquatic Organisms

Power Puppets: Exploring Robotic Physics Applications with Everyday Materials

Digital Video Production

Architecture Workshop: Engineering Sustainable Structures

Age 4 – Grade 3

Hands-on architecture & construction activities, modeled on CTD’s Summer Leapfrog Program.

Please indicate the correct age code for your child on your registration form: Grade 2 – 3 or Age 4 – Grade 1 (grade in 2015-2016 school year). Parents attending the 1 p.m. keynote address can drop off children at the activity site at 12:30 p.m.