

Gifted Programs

Gifted Programs is committed to providing professional learning related to the nature and needs, identification, and differentiation of curriculum and instruction for gifted students. These learning opportunities not only assist teachers in developing challenging and engaging lessons, but also in understanding the unique social and emotional needs of our high ability students. The Depth and Complexity trainings provide structured work sessions for teachers of all students to enhance their ability to design and implement challenging instructional experiences for learners at all levels. The Tools for Differentiated Instruction training will catapult teachers and administrators alike into differentiation of instruction through content, process, product and environment to meet the needs of our gifted students. Lastly, our independent research project, Texas Performance Standards Project (TPSP) will continue this coming school year. We are offering several Summer and Fall training sessions for teachers and administrators. All Gifted Program trainings support teachers of gifted students in meeting the professional learning requirements outlined in the Texas Administrative Code.

List of Staff Professional Learning Offered:

- Thinking Maps
- Dive Into Depth & Complexity
- Teaching Up with Bloom's and DOK
- TPSP Teacher Training
- GT Challenge Class Intro
- New GT Facilitator Training
- CogAT Training for 2nd Grade Testing
- Depth & Complexity Part I: Thinking Tools
- Depth & Complexity Part II: Content Imperatives
- Depth & Complexity Part III: Putting It All Together
- Academy: 6-Hour Update
- Academy: Initial 30-Hour (Foundational) GT Hours
- Academy: Nature and Needs of Gifted Students
- GT Book Study (eCourse)
- Talent Pool Observation Inventory (TPOI) Training (eCourse in Canvas)

<i>Summer- 2024 Professional Learning Opportunities</i>						
<i>Day/Date</i>	<i>Name of Program</i>	<i>Training Format</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Targeted Audience</i>	<i>Exchange Day Eligible</i>
Tuesday,	Dive Into Depth &	In-Person	8:30 a.m. to	Jett	PreK - 12th	Yes

June 18, 2024	Complexity		11:30 a.m.	MR 204-205		
Tuesday, June 18, 2024	Teaching Up with Bloom's and DOK	In-Person	12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.	Jett MR 204-205	PreK - 12th	Yes
Tuesday, July 23, 2024	TPSP Teacher Training	Virtual	9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.	Virtual	PreK - 12th	Yes
Tuesday, July 23, 2024	TPSP Teacher Training	Virtual	3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.	Virtual	PreK - 12th	Yes
Thursday, July 25, 2024	New GT Facilitator Training	Virtual	9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.	Virtual	PreK - 12th New GT Facilitators	No
Tuesday, August 20, 2024	GT Challenge Class Intro	Virtual	4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Virtual	1st - 4th	Yes
Self-Paced	Academy: 6-Hour Update	e-Course	Self-Paced	Online	PreK - 12th	Yes
Self-Paced	Academy: Initial 30-Hour (Foundational) GT Hours	e-Course	Self-Paced	Online	PreK - 12th	Yes
Self-Paced	Academy: Nature & Needs of Gifted Students	e-Course	Self-Paced	Online	Administrators & Counselors	Yes
Self-Paced	GT Book Study	e-Course	Self-Paced	Online	PreK - 12th	Yes
Self-Paced	Talent Pool Observation Inventory (TPOI) Training (eCourse in Canvas)	e-Course	Self-Paced	Online	PreK - 12th	Yes

Fall- 2024 Professional Learning Opportunities

Day/Date	Name of Program	Training Format	Time	Location	Targeted Audience	Exchange Day Eligible
Thursday, September 5, 2024	CogAT Training for 2nd Grade Testing	Virtual	9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.	Virtual	Elementary GT Facilitators	No
Tuesday, September 10, 2024	Depth and Complexity Part I: Thinking Tools	Virtual	4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Virtual	PreK - 12th	Yes
Tuesday, September 17, 2024	Depth and Complexity Part II: Content Imperatives	Virtual	4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Virtual	PreK - 12th	Yes
Tuesday, September 24, 2024	Depth and Complexity Part III: Putting It All Together	Virtual	4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Virtual	PreK - 12th	Yes
Tuesday, October 1, 2024	Teaching Up! Using Bloom's and DOK to Challenge Learners	Virtual	4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Virtual	PreK - 12th	Yes
Monday, November 11, 2024 -	Thinking Maps	In-Person	4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.	Jett MR 137 - 138	PreK - 12th	Yes

Tuesday, November 12, 2024						
Thursday, November 14, 2024						
Self-Paced	Academy: 6-Hour Update	e-Course	Self-Paced	Online	PreK - 12th	Yes
Self-Paced	Academy: Initial 30-Hour (Foundational) GT Hours	e-Course	Self-Paced	Online	PreK - 12th	Yes
Self-Paced	Academy: Nature & Needs of Gifted Students	e-Course	Self-Paced	Online	Administrators & Counselors	Yes
Self-Paced	GT Book Study	e-Course	Self-Paced	Online	PreK - 12th	Yes
Self-Paced	Talent Pool Observation Inventory (TPOI) Training (eCourse in Canvas)	e-Course	Self-Paced	Online	PreK - 12th	Yes
Spring- 2025 Professional Learning Opportunities						
Day/Date	Name of Program	Training Format	Time	Location	Targeted Audience	Exchange Day Eligible
Tuesday, January 7, 2025	Depth and Complexity Part I: Thinking Tools	Virtual	4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Virtual	PreK - 12th	Yes
Thursday, January 9, 2025	GT Spring Online Test Training	Virtual	8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.	Virtual	GT Facilitators K - 8th	No
Tuesday, January 14, 2025	Depth and Complexity Part II: Content Imperatives	Virtual	4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Virtual	PreK - 12th	Yes
Tuesday, January 21, 2025	Depth and Complexity Part III: Putting It All Together	Virtual	4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Virtual	PreK - 12th	Yes
Tuesday, January 28, 2025	Teaching Up! Using Bloom's and DOK to Challenge Learners	Virtual	4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.	Virtual	PreK - 12th	Yes
Monday, February 3, 2025 - Tuesday, February 4, 2025 Thursday, February 6, 2024	Thinking Maps	In-Person	4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.	Jett MR 137 - 138	PreK - 12th	Yes
Self-Paced	Academy: 6-Hour Update	e-Course	Self-Paced	Online	PreK - 12th	Yes
Self-Paced	Academy: Initial 30-Hour (Foundational) GT Hours	e-Course	Self-Paced	Online	PreK - 12th	Yes



Self-Paced	Academy: Nature & Needs of Gifted Students	e-Course	Self-Paced	Online	Administrators & Counselors	Yes
Self-Paced	GT Book Study	e-Course	Self-Paced	Online	PreK - 12th	Yes
Self-Paced	Talent Pool Observation Inventory (TPOI) Training (eCourse in Canvas)	e-Course	Self-Paced	Online	PreK - 12th	Yes