



GATE Quarterly

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Mission Statement

Recognize and nurture the development of exceptional abilities so that all gifted

"Excellence in education is when we do everything that we can to make sure they become everything that they can."

-Carol Ann Tomlinson

Have you used your brain today?

SECOND QUARTER DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday, October 26th
Visit to Western State College for GT students in grades 9-12. There are only 23 slots to fill.

Thursday, October 26th
Annual Scary Story Night at Harrison School 920 Fields Ave. 6:00pm

Week of November 13th-17th
Noetic Math Competition

-Top ten things I wish all teachers knew about giftedness -

1. Not all gifted kids might seem "smart"
2. Not all smart kids are gifted
3. Just because a child is gifted does not mean that child will be high performing
4. Yes, he is smart....But he is still a child
5. Don't try to out-think him, but be specific in your instructions
6. Embrace the unexpected
7. Allow creativity in routine tasks
8. Just because a student won't do something doesn't mean he can't
9. Most parents really strive to do what's best for their child. Please listen to them
10. You won't discover what a child can do until you give him the opportunity

Source:<http://creatingcurriculum.wordpress.com>

BOOKS TO CHECK OUT!

- Living With Intensity by Susan Daniels
- Make Your Worrier Into A Warrior by Dan Peters
- Why Smart Kids Worry by Allison Edwards
- When Gifted Kids Don't Have All The Answers by Jim Delisle

Advocate

Why do our gifted students need advocacy?

- Most people hold myths and misconceptions about giftedness.
 - Gifted kids are smart "across the board."
 - Gifted kids have a healthy self-concept.
 - Gifted kids/teachers think they're better than everyone else.
 - Gifted teachers just do fun stuff ("the fluff down the hall").
- We *know* our kids are very different, and their exceptional needs require specialized services, beyond the regular classroom.
 - Intellectual and academic needs
 - Social/emotional needs
 - Intense interests

Check out our GATE Website

<http://www.canoncitieschools.org/apps/pages/GATE>

Friend us on Facebook to see the neat lessons happening in the classrooms!

Areas of Identification in the state of Colorado

Specific Academic Aptitude areas:

Reading, Writing, Math, Social Studies, Science, World Language

Specific Talents Aptitude areas:

Visual Arts, Performing Arts, Music, Dance, Psychomotor, Creativity, Leadership