



*Weld County School District Six  
High School  
Gifted and Talented Program*

**GIFTED EDUCATION PARENT NEWSLETTER – FEBRUARY 2016**

**Dear Families~**

Please let me know if you have questions or if there is anything with which I can help.

~Amy

**AP Night**

Join us in the **library at 7:00 p.m. during parent-teacher conferences** on Wednesday (**02/17**) for Advanced Placement Night. This is an opportunity for parents and students to ask AP students, teachers, counselors, and administrators any questions they have about AP classes as we prepare for registration for next year.

**Bright Futures Grant**

Graduating seniors are eligible to receive \$3,000 per year for four years toward post-secondary education, including trade school. If not already completed, the attached paper needs to be filled out and signed by each student (if they are over 18) or their parent/guardian and returned to the counseling office **as soon as possible**. It is then sent to the county where they assign the students a Username and Password that allows them to fill out the official application.

To donate to this program, visit: <http://www.weldcountybrightfutures.com/>

**Understanding Financial Aid**

A College Admissions Planning Webinar for National Honor Society Students and Parents  
February 17th at 7:00 p.m. (ET)

For more information see attached informational sheet or go to: <https://www.nhs.us/students/college-admission-and-planning/college-admission-planning-webinars?SSO=true>

Our School Affiliation Number is 00023097.

**College Goal Sunday**

Greeley-Evans School District 6, in conjunction with several community partners, will be hosting College Goal Sunday from 1-3 p.m. Sunday, February 21st.

This free event is designed to help students plan for their future, from applying for scholarships to filling out required financial information.

Some of the assistance and information available includes support for FAFSA completion, income tax, Bright Futures grant, Aims Community College application, University of Northern Colorado application, and general scholarship opportunities for students. For more information, visit [www.CollegeGoalColorado.com](http://www.CollegeGoalColorado.com).

## **OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS**

### **SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAM (SEP)**

2016 marks the 39<sup>th</sup> year of SEP serving children and youth who are gifted, talented, and/or creative in a supportive academic and social setting. Designed for students entering 5<sup>th</sup> grade through 10<sup>th</sup> grade, this residential program offers high interest, hands-on, brains-on courses developed by specialists in gifted education and/or in specialized content areas.

On the day they arrive, students select courses for their two week session. Courses meet daily during four 75 minute periods. After classes are done for the day, participants choose a variety of "options" varying from active sports and recreation to craft activities and time to visit with new and old friends.

Students come to SEP from approximately 25 states, provinces, and foreign countries. Dorm counselors who are college age and older supervise students during all hours that the students are not in class. There are also programs available for younger children 4 years old through 4<sup>th</sup> grade and for older children entering their junior and senior years in high school.

Visit the following site for more information: <http://www.unco.edu/cebs/sep/>

## **OPPORTUNITIES FOR PARENTS**

### **BEYOND GIFTEDNESS XXIII 2016 CONFERENCE**

Keynote speakers: Dr. George Betts and Dr. Susan Daniels

Friday Feb 19, 2016 - 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM MST

Arvada Center for the Arts

Parent Mini-Conference: 9:20am - 1pm - includes parent-focused sessions, lunch and general conference keynote. Parents may opt to attend regular conference sessions during this time instead. Parent conference is \$50 per person or \$90 per couple. (Only 50 tickets will be sold for parent mini-conference).

For more information, got to: <http://ourgifted.com/beyond-giftedness-conference-2/>

### **GIFTED EDUCATION TUESDAYS (G.E.T.)**

Are you interested in learning more about the best practices in gifted education? Join CDE's Gifted Education Tuesdays for webinars on rigorous instruction, concept-based learning, and acceleration.

**Upcoming:** April 16, 2016 (Acceleration)

More information is attached.

### **SAVE THE DATE!!**

**Greeley-Evans Gifted and Talented Department will host the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Gifted & Talented Parent Institute on Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>. More information will be coming soon!**

## **OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNGER STUDENTS**

### **CREATIVITY QUEST**

The University of Northern Colorado hosts a Creativity Quest one Saturday each month for students in grades 1-6. Cost is \$25 per session or 3 sessions for \$60. For more information, visit: [http://www.unco.edu/cebs/gtcenter/creativity\\_quest.html](http://www.unco.edu/cebs/gtcenter/creativity_quest.html)

### **YOUNG CHILD SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAM**

The Young Child Summer Enrichment Program for high-ability learners is sponsored by the Center for the Education & Study of Gifted, Talented, Creative Learners at the University of Northern Colorado. It serves children ages 4 and 5 and those entering grades 1-4 who show unusual talents and abilities. The program was initiated in 1980 for high-potential, high-ability students and continues to be a successful program each year.

The curriculum incorporates creativity, problem solving, and the development of high level thinking skills based on student interests and passions. Classes will be offered in the areas of science, math, world languages and cultures, art, physical activities, music, and literature/language arts.

For more information, visit: [http://www.unco.edu/cebs/sep/young\\_child/index.html](http://www.unco.edu/cebs/sep/young_child/index.html)

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## **SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION**

Did you know that there is a list of additional scholarships on the Greeley Central website?

- Go to [www.central.greeleyschools.org](http://www.central.greeleyschools.org).
- Click on the Counseling tab on the header.
- Under Counseling Office, click on Counseling Resources/Links.

**For prior newsletters and additional gifted and talented resources, go to [Greeley Central Gifted & Talented](#).**

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