

Recommended Resources for Gifted and Talented Programming Edmonton Catholic Schools

These resources were purchased with AISI funds and have been placed in our schools.

Core Resources - Elementary

2000-2001

Alberta Learning Book 7, Teaching Students who are Gifted and Talented (a binder)

Critical Challenges for Primary Students

Tami McDermid, Rita Manzo, Trish Musselle

Revised, Teaching Gifted Kids in the Regular Classroom

Susan Winebrenner

Teaching Young Gifted Children in the Regular Classroom

Joan Franklin Smutney

The Progressive Approach: A Model for Gifted Programming in Regular Classrooms

David Harvey

Thinking Tools for Kids: Practical Organizers

RDS Edmonton Public Schools

To be Gifted and Learning Disabled

Susan M. Baum, Steve Owen, John Dixon

Toolkit for Curriculum Differentiation (photocopied booklet)

Lannie Kanevsky

2001-2002

Challenging Projects for Creative Minds for Grades 1-5

Phil Schlemmer and Dori Schlemmer

Differentiating Instruction in the Regular Classroom: How to Reach and Teach all Learners

Diane Heacox

The Differentiated Classroom: Responding to the Needs of all Learners

Carol Ann Tomlinson

The Gifted Kids Survival Guide (Ages 10 and Under)

Judy Galbrath

2003-2004 (New Resources)

The Mysteries of Harris Burdick

Chris Van Allsburg

This is an attractive book of pictures that can be used in conjunction with Lannie Kanevsky's Tool Kit. Each graphic makes a wonderful story starter and we encourage you to share it with your Language Arts teachers.

Project Planner: A Guide for Creating Curriculum and Independent Study Projects

Diane Draze

Includes an array of graphic organizers and other materials to use with students. It is a useful tool for organizing and planning the projects.

Personal Projects: 21 Projects for Self Discovery and Celebration

Jane Everly and Connie Homan Weaver

A resource rich in ideas and

Investigator: A Guide for Research Projects

Jan Wishau

Blueprints: A Guide for Independent Study Projects

Diane Draze

First Time Analogies (k-2)

Diane Draze

How the Special Needs Brain Learns

David A. Sousa

How the Gifted Brain Learns

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Teaching Kids with Learning Difficulties in the Regular Classroom:

Strategies and Techniques every Teacher can use to Challenge and Motivate Struggling Students

Susan Winebrenner

Core Resources- Junior High

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Critical Challenges in Social Studies (Junior High Students)

R. Case, L. Daniels and P. Schwartz

Critical Challenges in English for Secondary Students

S. Butler, H. Husarski, N. Shea

Differentiating Instruction in the Regular Classroom: How to Reach and Teach All Learners (grades 3-12)

Diane Heacox

The Differentiated Classroom: Responding to the Needs of All Learners

Carol Ann Tomlinson

The Gifted Kids Survival Guide: A Teen Handbook

Judy Galbraith

Managing the Social and Emotional Needs of the Gifted: A Teacher's Survival Guide

Connie c Schmitz, Judy Gabraith

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Susan Winebrenner

Differentiation in Practice: Grades 5-9

Carol Ann Tomlinson & Caroline Cunningham Eidson

In addition to those on site, many others are available for use through the Resource Centre at St. Peter. Please take time to look through the GT/E materials and learn more about:

- Assessment and evaluation rubrics, performance assessment, setting criteria
- Brain research
- Brain teasers and stretchers
- Character and moral development
- Cooperative learning
- Counseling gifted children
- Creative thinking
- Critical thinking
- Curriculum options and enrichment
- Deductive reasoning
- Differentiating instruction
- General issues regarding gifted education
- Gifted children's self-perceptions
- Giftedness and disabilities
- Logical thinking
- Language Arts enrichment
- Mathematics
- Multiple Intelligences
- Organizing thinking
- Parenting Gifted Children
- Perfectionism
- Problem Solving
- Research Skills
- Science
- Self-discovery - values
- Social Studies and self-esteem
- Study skills and organization
- Teacher Resources
- Thinking skills, higher order thinking
- Underachievement
- Understanding Giftedness
- Writing

Book 7 and most of the core resources contain comprehensive resource lists for:

Publishers
Support Networks and Organizations
Magazines, Journals and Videos

Classroom Strategies
Organizations
Websites

Recommended Gifted Websites and WebQuests

Here are some interesting websites for you and your students. Many are already well used by the lead teachers. We have access to several others in each category and will share them upon request.

<http://www.lss.ecsd.net/gifted/>

Learning Support Services Gifted and Enrichment page.

Here, you will find many links and information on Gifted that you can start with to support your program.

<http://www.gtecouncil.com/>

Gifted and talented Educational Council of the ATA

<http://www.hoagiesgifted.org/>

A great site for parent, teacher, and student resources. Articles, issues, and subject specific links are available.

<http://www.enhancelearning.ca/>

This site is from the Calgary Catholic School District and includes a collection of documents, links and ideas for teacher to enhance learning with technology.

<http://www.stephenscountyschools.com/lss/Church/bestpractices.htm>

Links to best practices, brain research, cooperative learning, critical thinking, Bloom's Taxonomy, multiple intelligences, and technology links.

<http://www.tiac.net/users/seeker/brainlinks.html>

Student's Bloom Taxonomy

<http://www.2learn.ca/>

Telus Learning Connection. If you haven't seen this site, be sure to include it in your priority list.

<http://www.odysseyofthemind.com/>

This school program fosters creative thinking and problem solving skills among participating students from kindergarten through college. It features an annual competitions component at local-international levels. Students solve problems in a variety of areas, from building mechanical devices, such as spring-driven vehicles, to giving their own interpretations of literary classics.

<http://snow.utoronto.ca/Learn2/resources/games.html>

Puzzles and Thinking games available.

<http://www.odyssey.on.ca/elaine.coxon/rubrics.htm>

Need a rubric? Check out the pages below for sample rubrics to help you create your own.

WebQuests

<http://edweb.sdsu.edu/webquest/webquest-hs.html>

A webQuest about webquests

<http://www.memphis-schools.k12.tn.us/admin/tlapages/wq-write.htm>

How to design your own webquest.

<http://www.teachersfirst.com/webquest.htm>

A collection of webQests for teachers.

Math Extensions

<http://matti.usu.edu/nlvm/nav/vlibrary.html>

National Library of Virtual Manipulatives for interactive Mathematics. It includes a matrix of math challenges from K-12 for all math strands.

<http://mathforum.org/~steve/>

A huge collection of Math lessons and courses, many of which are categorized in Division levels.

French Immersion Resources and Websites

<http://www.frenchimmersion.ecsd.net>

This is a constantly updated list of appropriate sites to be used at various levels and on a multitude of topics. In addition to this site, please visit the Teacher Resource Centre at St. Peter Leaning Centre to access numerous resources such as thinking skills and math games.

Multiple Intelligences - Theory and Practice

The internet provides some useful tool and MI learner inventories. There are numerous sites devoted to analyzing multiple intelligences, learning styles, and processing preferences. Some sites even provide lesson plans.

http://www.charho.k12.us/curriculum/MISmart/mi_smart.htm

Explore ongoing internet projects.

<http://surfaqarium.com/im.htm>

Internet links exercising your multiple intelligences.

Art

<http://www.nc.uk.net/gt/art/index.htm>

A wonderful resource with indicators for coding gifted and talented students in art.

<http://www.manassas.k12.va.us/weems/Class/Brannon/>

Excellent site for information on gifted and talented at each grade level.

<http://www.ghbooks.com/activity/activity.cfm?bookid=18325&page=154>

Includes lesson plans, how to's and related books.

Again, please do not hesitate to ask for other relevant sites for any of these categories. The ones provided have been chosen as good sites to start off with. We felt too many might be overwhelming.