

C-FB AGT Gifted Gazette

Newsletter of Carrollton-Farmers Branch Association for the Gifted & Talented
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Welcome!

Since 1979 C-FB AGT has helped ensure that all gifted and talented students in the district receive appropriate educational opportunities. C-FB AGT is a voluntary, independent organization of over 300 parents, educators and friends of gifted education.

We achieve our mission by:

- Sharing information related to educating high ability learners
- Informing members of legislative issues impacting gifted education,
- Networking with the Texas Association for the Gifted and Talented (TAGT) and the National Association for Gifted Children (NAGC) and other community groups supporting education.

C-FB ISD's program for academically gifted children is among the best in the country. However we must continue to improve the education of high achieving students!

C-FB ISD educates over 2,500 children identified as "gifted." They reflect the rich diversity of our community. When we meet these children's special needs, we can truly say that no child in our district is left behind.

Mary Lovell, President



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Summer programs/Library:	Carol Schelp
Spring Symposium:	Open
AAS Representatives –	Gerry Charlebois & Tina Flatt

October 27 Program Meeting

Technology Learning Center
2427 Carrick Road, Farmers Branch
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Parenting for Achievement: Academic Champions and Chocolate.

Come discover more about district programs for high ability learners from elementary age to high school. Start with meeting Gerry Charlebois, Director of Advanced Academic Services and learn how the district's programs meet the needs of these students. Parents will pick up some tips on helping the children succeed at all levels. Those approaching high school will learn more about the high school academies and meet outstanding students who enrolled in them. They will share their views on these educational options and tips for success.

Program content will be appropriate for children aged 10 and up, however, no babysitting will be provided.



Volunteers Needed

Website Update: Our resource hotlinks for parents needs updating. Please contact Mary Lovell, president@cfbgifted.org to help.

Spring Symposium Co-coordinator: Event planning skills helpful. We'll start in November for this awesome event. We also can use volunteers to handle registration, publicity and several other tasks. Please contact Mary Lovell.

Review Library Materials and Share Summer School Opportunities. If you like to read, write, research, please contact Carol Schelp to find out how she can use your skills to share news for families about these resources.
Carolynschelp@yahoo.com

February 3 – Family Game Night at Technology Learning Center –Games that enrich and entertain children and adults of all ages.

April 1st – No Fooling, 4th Annual Spring Symposium on areas of interest for parents, educators and children. Keynote speaker TBA



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Campus Groups: If you'd like to network with families on your campus and form a campus group, please contact Linda Mahony (lmahony@comcast.net) or Melanie Hooten (faith.love@verizon.net). We'll provide some organizing tips and some ideas, but what you do on your campus is up to you. It's a great way for children to interact with their intellectual peers and gain support.



Why Join C-FB AGT?

You are receiving this newsletter because your child has been identified by the district as having exceptional academic ability. After this issue, newsletters for the school year will be published on our website. If you are interested in knowing more about how to meet their needs, want to network with other parents and children with similar needs, then you should join C-FB AGT.

Your membership dues (\$20) ensures your access to our newsletter, board member resources, meetings, and annual symposium that focuses on issues of interest to these children and parents. We also provide scholarships for summer programs and information about programs and resources that would interest gifted children and their parents.



Congratulations to Summer Scholarship Winners

C-FB AGT awarded these students scholarships to defray the cost of summer educational programs. Congratulations to all!

<u>NAME</u>	<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>GR</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>
Shahrukh Khimani	SAGE	4	Davis Elem
Chloe Salomon	Science Camp	5	Davis Elem.
Jennifer Long	Robotics	7	DeWitt Perry
Bryan Mahony	Robotics	7	DeWitt Perry
Jonathan Malouf	Robotics	6	DeWitt Perry
Riley Walberg	Robotics	7	DeWitt Perry
Evan Yarbrough	Robotics	7	DeWitt Perry
Raquel Garcia	SAGE	2	Farmers Branch Elerr
Jonathan Sanchez	SAGE	1	Good Elem.
BriAnna Young	SeaWorld Camp	2	Janie Stark Elem.
Reid Patterson	SAGE	5	Kent Elem.
Ashley Richardson	SAGE	2	Landry Elem
Ashley Hagan	SAGE	3	McCoy Elem
Phong Nguyen	SAGE	2	McCoy Elem
Hayley Eoff	SAGE	2	McCoy Elem
Matthew Estrada-Millican	SAGE	3	McCoy Elem
Kevin Kehl	Animation-SMU Legacy	3	McCoy Elem
Josie Kelsay	Camp Asia-Crow	4	McCoy Elem
Victoria Lovell	Russian Language	2	McCoy Elem
Teddy Sims	SAGE	2	McLaughlin Elem,
Nolan McDaniel	Reading Skills -UD	2	Tom Landry Elem