



NEISD

Gifted & Talented

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Welcome and Introduction of Teachers

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Overview of Secondary GT Program

G/T Math with a Science emphasis

- 6th & 7th grades - Curriculum acceleration to complete grades 6-8 Math TEKS
- 8th grade - Pre-AP G/T Algebra 1 for high school credit
- 9th grade - Pre-AP G/T Geometry
- 10th grade - Pre-AP G/T Algebra II
- 11th grade - Pre-AP G/T Pre-Cal
- 12th grade - AP G/T Calculus B/C (starting Fall of 2018)

Overview of Secondary GT Program

GT English with a Social Studies emphasis

- 6th grade - Discovery through Language
- 7th grade - Discovery through Community
- 8th grade - Discovery of Self
- 9th grade - Creation of Meaning
- 10th grade - The Power of Choice
- 11th grade - AP English III Language and Composition
Discovery of America
- 12th grade - AP English IV Literature and Composition

Your student's future in GT

Once students have qualified for the Secondary GT Program, grades 6-12, the student will remain in GT classes as long as they are successful in the program.

Furlough vs Dismissal

Furlough - A leave of absence from a GT class. Could be used in cases of illness, scheduling conflicts, etc. Students DO NOT have to test in order to re-enter after a year of furlough.

Dismissal - A removal from the GT program. Students would have to test in order to re-enter GT.

Difference between Pre-AP/AP and GT?

Pre-AP classes are designed to prepare students for the demands of Advanced Placement courses available in high school. The pace of instruction is faster than on-level academic classes, and students are expected to go into greater depth in content.

While GT classes prepare students for the rigors of an AP class, they also have curricula specifically designed to meet the academic needs of gifted and talented students. Learning is project-based, emphasizes open-ended problem solving, and requires students to generalize the vast amount of knowledge they already have to the topics being studied. Very little time is spent on repetition. Students are expected to spend the majority of their time analyzing and evaluating content and creating new perspectives and products. High level products and processing of information are expected in GT classes.

Both pre-AP and GT classes cover all areas detailed in the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS).

New High School Electives

- Starting Fall of 2017 at Reagan High School
- Work with other **GT** students
- Prepare for the **PSAT**
- Improve **presentation skills**
- Participate in **team building** exercises
- Express your **creativity**
- Explore **colleges** and **careers**
- **Academic competition** opportunities

New High School Electives

9th or 10th – GT Interdisciplinary Studies – Course #4251 – GT Interdisciplinary Studies is a year-long GT elective class open to all 9th and 10th grade students currently identified in the North East ISD Gifted and Talented program. In GT Interdisciplinary Studies, students will be provided opportunities to discover various styles and characteristics of leaders, PSAT preparation, and complete a unit of study on Personal Finance culminating with a Financial Case Study. Throughout the year students will work on presentation and communication skills, group dynamics, critical thinking, and college planning. Students will conduct independent research through a variety of class activities. All students will also learn about and complete a resume as well as begin an on-line portfolio of their high school work and activities.

New High School Electives

10th or 11th – GT Interdisciplinary Studies 2 – Course #4252 – GT

Interdisciplinary Studies 2 is a year-long GT elective class open to all 10th or 11th grade students currently identified in the North East ISD Gifted and Talented program. In GT Interdisciplinary Studies 2 students will work on PSAT preparation prior to the October test date. Throughout the year students will work on presentation and communication skills, group dynamics, critical thinking, and college planning. Students will develop a research study proposal on their topic of choice, conduct in-depth research, interview experts in their field of study, compile a research portfolio, write a research paper, and prepare for a final presentation to exhibit their work. Students in this class will also have the opportunity to compete in various academic competitions throughout the school year.

GT Interdisciplinary Studies 1 is recommended, but not required for this course.

PSAT

All 9th, 10th, and 11th grade students will take the PSAT during school on October 11th.

11th grade students can qualify for the National Merit Scholarship Program based on their score from the PSAT.

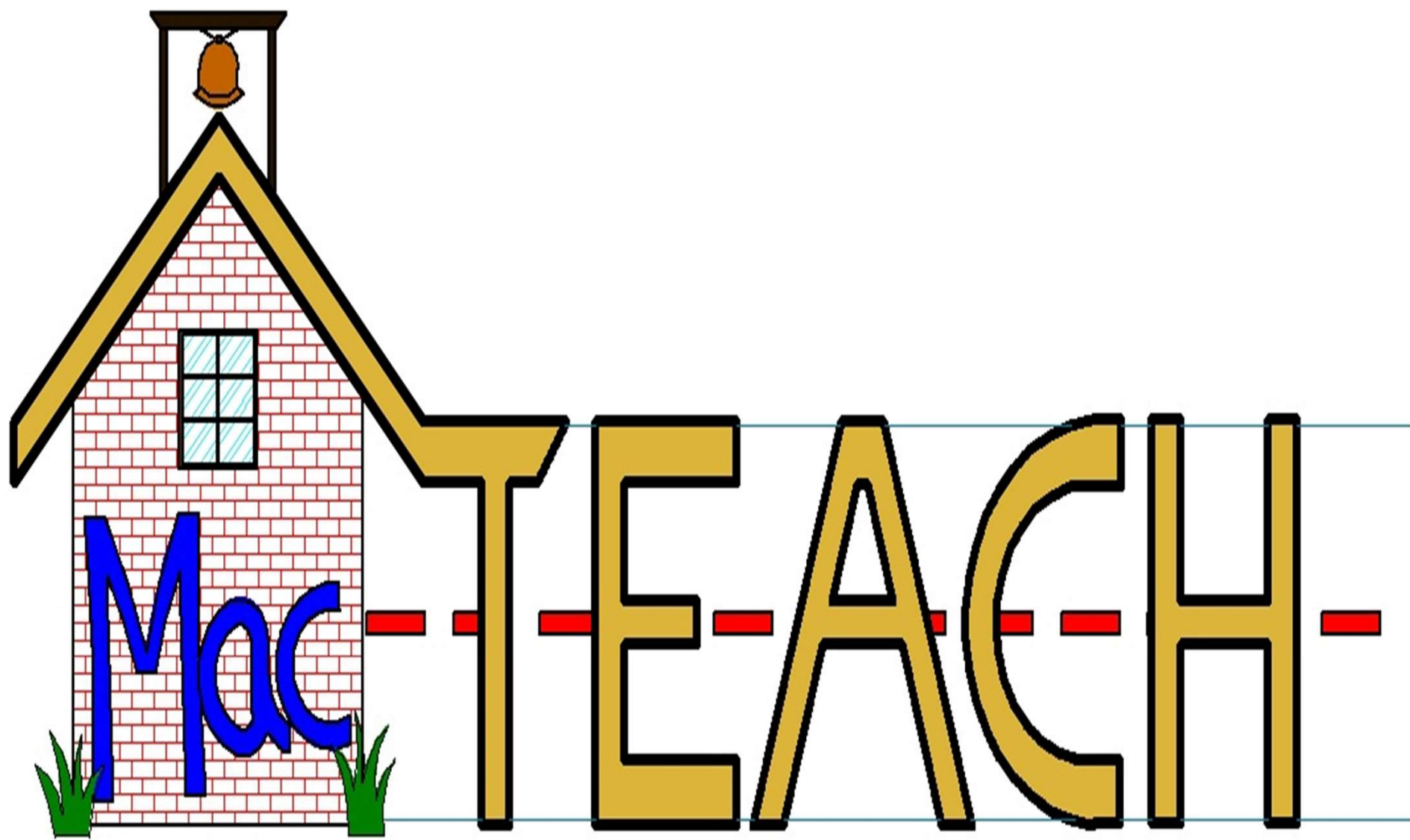
Volunteer Opportunities

10th Grade--Elementary School Teaching Project
(Oak Grove)

--Community Volunteer Project
(*Les Miserables*) 6 hours

11th Grade--Librivox Charitable Reading Project

9th-12th Grade--MacTeach



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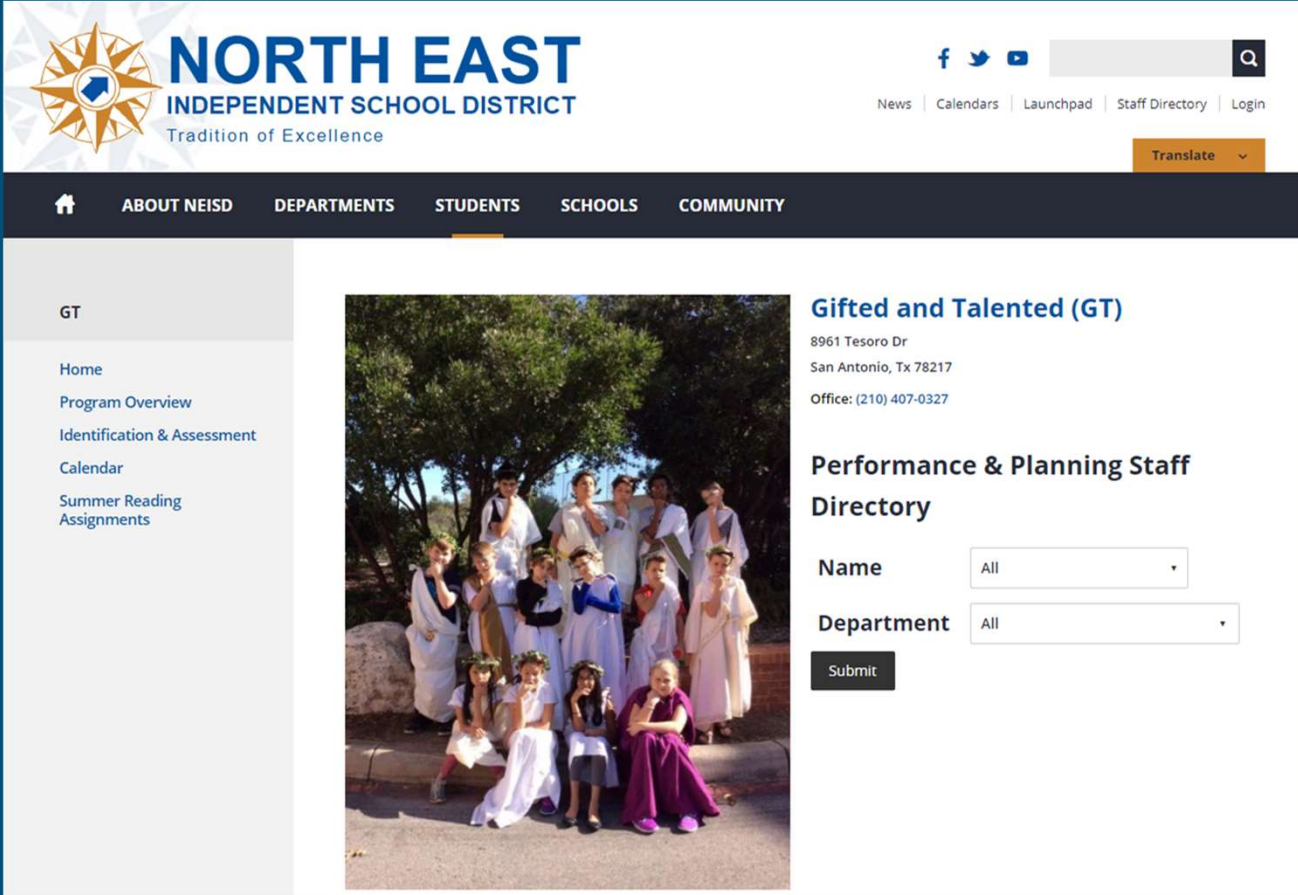


- Oak Grove Elementary School Tutoring (M-Thurs. 7-7:45 a.m.)
- Neighbor-to-Neighbor Tutoring (Tues. & Thurs. evenings in the library)
- MacTEACH Strings for the Children Program (violin & cello lessons)
- MacTEACH Middle School Feeder Programs
- Thousand Oaks Elementary School KINS Program
- MacTEACH Military Services Outreach: Honor Flight of San Antonio & Wish for Our Heroes
- MacTEACH Cultural Outreach: Burma, Uganda, Honduras
- MacTEACH Health & Wellness Outreach: MacTEACH Making Changes: Texas Diaper Bank; Autism Uncovered; MacTEACH Mini-Mall; Alternative Learning Programs
- Keeping it Clean With the Custodians

Updated NEISD G/T Website

Information about:

- Identification & Assessment
- Summer Reading
- G/T Parent Association
- FAQs



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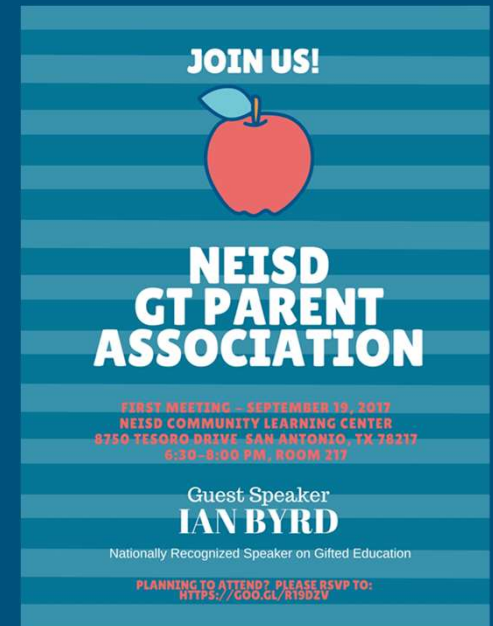
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NEISD GT Parent Association



November 14, 2017 – CLC, Room 217

Speaker Dr. Shawn McKown, Licensed Psychologist
and owner of San Antonio Gifted and Talented

January 23, 2018 – RAMEC, Room 614

Updates on the NEISD Gifted Program
and Planning for Middle School and High School

March 27, 2018 – RAMEC, Room 614

Summer Options for students and discussion for Possible Book Study

Other Items of Interest

TAGT - Texas Association for Gifted & Talented

- **Connects and empowers educators and parents to meet the unique needs of gifted and talented individuals through awareness, advocacy and action**
- www.txgifted.org

Duke TIP - The Duke University Talent Identification Program

- **A nonprofit organization that supports academically talented students in grades 4-12**
- www.tip.duke.edu

Thank you for attending!