



Transcript from March 26, 2010 to March 26, 2010

All times are Pacific Time

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- 12:16 am **DeborahMersino:** #gtchat participants are in for a treat at the noon/EST session. Erik, Rebecca & others from @DavidsonGifted will be hosting/moderating. TY!
- 12:17 am **AudreyFG:** RT @DeborahMersino: Gr8ful to Julie & @DavidsonGifted 4 help'g in a pinch!
Noon #gtchat: How/When/Why to Talk w/ Kids about #Gifted Label
- 12:17 am **Jenniferkolari:** RT @DeborahMersino: Gr8ful to Julie & @DavidsonGifted 4 help'g in a pinch!
Noon #gtchat: How/When/Why to Talk w/ Kids about #Gifted Label
- 12:18 am **Jenniferkolari:** RT @DeborahMersino: 7:00 pm/EST #gtchat. Topic 4 that session will be: Taking a Closer Look at the Power of Mentorships #gifted
- 12:18 am **AudreyFG:** RT @DeborahMersino: 7:00 pm/EST #gtchat. Topic 4 that session will be: Taking a Closer Look at the Power of Mentorships #gifted
- 12:21 am **Doublelattemama:** RT @DeborahMersino: #gtchat participants are in for a treat at the noon/EST session. Erik, Rebecca & others from @DavidsonGifted will be hosting/moderating. TY!
- 12:37 am **profplayfair:** RT @cybraryman1: #gtchat tomorrow Noon EST: How/When/Why to Talk w/ Kids about #Gifted Label
- 12:37 am **playfairtoys:** RT @cybraryman1: #gtchat tomorrow Noon EST: How/When/Why to Talk w/ Kids about #Gifted Label
- 12:37 am **profplayfair:** RT @cybraryman1: #gtchat Tomorrow 7:00 pm/EST #gtchat. Taking a Closer Look at the Power of Mentorships #gifted
- 12:37 am **playfairtoys:** RT @cybraryman1: #gtchat Tomorrow 7:00 pm/EST #gtchat. Taking a Closer Look at the Power of Mentorships #gifted
- 12:40 am **DeborahMersino:** @playfairtoys @proplayfair @AudreyFG @Jenniferkolari - Thank you kindly for the #gtchat RTs!
- 4:31 am **thelaurenklein:** RT @DavidsonGifted: #gtchat Tomorrow 7:00 pm/EST #gtchat. Taking a Closer Look at the Power of Mentorships #gifted
- 4:31 am **thelaurenklein:** RT @DavidsonGifted: RT @cybraryman1: #gtchat tomorrow Noon EST: How/When/Why to Talk w/ Kids about #Gifted Label
- 5:29 am **armadillosoft:** RT @DeborahMersino Noon EST #gtchat topic: How/When/Why to Talk w/ Kids about #Gifted Label
- 5:29 am **armadillosoft:** RT @DeborahMersino 7:00 pm/EST #gtchat. Topic: Taking a Closer Look at the Power of Mentorships #gifted
- 9:15 am **CathRiordan:** Join #gtchat at 4pm GMT today to discuss: How/When/Why to Talk with Kids About #Gifted Label
- 9:16 am **CathRiordan:** Join #gtchat at 11pm GMT today to discuss "Taking a Closer Look at the Power of Mentorships" #gifted
- 10:03 am **Giftedkidsie:** RT @DeborahMersino: #gtchat participants are in for a treat at the noon/EST session. Erik, Rebecca & others from @DavidsonGifted will be...
- 11:24 am **JeanneBernish:** WOW! #gtchat participants are in for a treat at the noon/EST session @DavidsonGifted will be hosting! #gifted #education
- 11:25 am **JeanneBernish:** #gtchat topic? The #Gifted Label #education
- 12:57 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @CathRiordan: Join #gtchat at 4pm GMT today to discuss: How/When/Why

- 12:57 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @CathRiordan: Join #gtchat at 11pm GMT today to discuss "Taking a Closer Look at the Power of Mentorships" #gifted
- 1:36 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @JeanneBernish: WOW! #gtchat participants are in for a treat at the noon/EST session @DavidsonGifted will be hosting! #gifted #education
- 3:14 pm **DeborahMersino:** Just 45 minutes until #gtchat. Topic: When/Why/How to Talk about #Gifted Label. @DavidsonGifted will be the guest moderator/host!
- 3:24 pm **DeborahMersino:** For more information on @DavidsonGifted, visit <http://www.davidsongifted.org/>. You're in for a treat at the noon/EST #gtchat. #gifted
- 3:25 pm **JeanneBernish:** RT @DeborahMersino: For more information on @DavidsonGifted, visit <http://bit.ly/ahG5v> #gtchat at noon today!
- 3:59 pm **DavidsonGifted:** Our tweets for the next hour will be devoted to #gtchat.
- 4:00 pm **DavidsonGifted:** Welcome! Noon/EST #gtchat Topic: How/When/Why to Talk w/ Kids about "#Gifted? Label - Please Join Us!
- 4:01 pm **DavidsonGifted:** Please take a moment to introduce yourself, your role (parent, teacher, advocate) and where you reside! #gtchat
- 4:03 pm **GaryBrannigan:** Clinical & School Psychologist from Upstate NY #gtchat
- 4:03 pm **DavidsonGifted:** I am Erik. I will mod 2day. TY @DeborahMersino who organizes chats. I work w #Gifted Kids/Families thru Davidson Young Scholars prgm #gtchat
- 4:05 pm **CathRiordan:** Good afternoon from Ireland. Mother of 2 teens. #gtchat
- 4:06 pm **cybraryman1:** #gtchat Come out, come out wherever you are!
- 4:07 pm **aposseadesse66:** Good Afternoon from Dublin, Karen here, mum to three wonderful but exhausting gifts! #gtchat
- 4:07 pm **TheMissBobbie:** sorry i'm late - #gtchat - Bobbie mom/advocate in south Arkansas
- 4:08 pm **TheMissBobbie:** my tweets for the next (almost) hour will be devoted to #gtchat
- 4:09 pm **DavidsonGifted:** Welcome everyone! Good to see you all again. #gtchat
- 4:09 pm **DavidsonGifted:** Please share your experiences (the good, bad and ugly) re: having this conversation with your child. What approach did you take? #gtchat
- 4:10 pm **TheMissBobbie:** actually we discuss frequently in my house- gifted is different/not better #gtchat
- 4:11 pm **DavidsonGifted:** RT @TheMissBobbie: actually we discuss frequently in my house- gifted is different/not better #gtchat
- 4:11 pm **TheMissBobbie:** last night doing homework abnormal psych reading about scientist shunned by church/others-great teaching moment regarding different #gtchat
- 4:12 pm **DavidsonGifted:** @TheMissBobbie Great! Open lines of communication and focus on uniqueness-not more/less value is so important. #gtchat
- 4:12 pm **TheMissBobbie:** son does have trouble not thinking he is superior to others because he is so different -maybe too much self-esteem? lol #gtchat
- 4:13 pm **TheMissBobbie:** i do supply son with all books/sites i can find so he can understand his giftedness #gtchat
- 4:13 pm **GaryBrannigan:** I stress role of effort over intelligence in success #gtchat
- 4:13 pm **TheMissBobbie:** my friend says i'm gifted, i'm afraid i'm one of those who fell through the cracks, will not allow that for my son #gtchat
- 4:13 pm **TheMissBobbie:** feel like i'm dominating the chat - SORRY! i dont mean to, just passionate! #gtchat
- 4:14 pm **cybraryman1:** RT @GaryBrannigan: I stress role of effort over intelligence in success #gtchat
- 4:14 pm **TheMissBobbie:** RT @GaryBrannigan: I stress role of effort over intelligence in success #gtchat //LOVE THAT!!!

- 4:15 pm **DavidsonGifted:** @GaryBrannigan Agreed. Focus on effort. Carol Dweck at Stanford has done incredible research on "growth mindset" check it out #gtchat
- 4:15 pm **DavidsonGifted:** RT @GaryBrannigan: I stress role of effort over intelligence in success #gtchat
- 4:15 pm **cybraryman1:** Parents sometimes create problems by stating my child is in the gifted to everyone they meet. I just gave my son's teacher's name #gtchat
- 4:15 pm **DavidsonGifted:** @TheMissBobbie Not at all. We appreciate your insights! #gtchat
- 4:16 pm **TheMissBobbie:** how do you focus on effort when hardly anything takes effort? am i not challenging son enough? #gtchat
- 4:17 pm **aposseadesse66:** @cybraryman1 As a parent that's the last word I use...I usually waffle about fast-learners and such, no GT classes here in Ireland #gtchat
- 4:17 pm **CathRiordan:** Gifted as different is so important to understand. Otherwise that difference may be felt as having something wrong with you #gtchat
- 4:18 pm **GaryBrannigan:** I have seen students who got by in HS on intelligence struggle with increased demands of college #gtchat
- 4:18 pm **DavidsonGifted:** @TheMissBobbie This can be tricky. Try to focus on process - not product. Even when something is easy it can still be worthwhile. #gtchat
- 4:19 pm **TheMissBobbie:** @CathRiordan so true - my son did think something was wrong because he NEVER thought/thinks like others #gtchat
- 4:20 pm **DavidsonGifted:** @CathRiordan For many #gifted kids having a name to help explain their feelings of differentness can be liberating & a relief #gtchat
- 4:21 pm **GaryBrannigan:** I don't use the word "smart"; instead, I say "You thought that thru" You worked hard on that" "You planned that well"... #gtchat
- 4:22 pm **TheMissBobbie:** my son helps others-he has his "label" and i try to teach him to "use it for good" (differences/abilities) #gtchat
- 4:22 pm **aposseadesse66:** Gifted kids already feel "out-of-synch" with class/age peers so need to understand that's okay, & how to deal with it #gtchat
- 4:23 pm **lagloria:** I don't use the word "smart"; instead, I say "Uthought that thru" Uworked hard on that" "Uplanned that well"... #gtchat (via @GaryBrannigan)
- 4:23 pm **DavidsonGifted:** Pretty good suggestions here: Tips for parents: Self-concept and self esteem regarding gifted learners <http://bit.ly/bvnvR> #gtchat
- 4:24 pm **TheMissBobbie:** i use many resources from davidson and hoagies - very helpful as a parent/advocate! #gtchat
- 4:24 pm **DavidsonGifted:** RT @lagloria: I don't use the word "smart"; instead, I say "Uthought that thru" Uworked hard on that" "Uplanned that well"... #gtchat (via @GaryBrannigan)
- 4:25 pm **CathRiordan:** @aposseadesse66 Only got that part of my own jigsaw as an adult. Made an enormous difference to me. Don't feel like a misfit anymore #gtchat
- 4:25 pm **TheMissBobbie:** RT @DavidsonGifted: good suggestions here: Tips for parents: Self-concept/self esteem regarding gifted learners <http://bit.ly/bvnvR> #gtchat
- 4:26 pm **DavidsonGifted:** @aposseadesse66 True.They know very early they are different. Parents/teachers need to provide approp context for those differences #gtchat
- 4:27 pm **TheMissBobbie:** at church we celebrate ALL children's differences-try to always focus on positives gifted isnt always about intellect #gtchat
- 4:28 pm **CathRiordan:** RT @DavidsonGifted: Tips for parents: Self-concept and self esteem regarding gifted learners <http://bit.ly/bvnvR> #gtchat
- 4:28 pm **DavidsonGifted:** Here are a few more suggestions: Gifted friendly parenting strategies- <http://bit.ly/clu1tG> #gtchat
- 4:29 pm **GaryBrannigan:** @TheMissBobbie Good point about other talents. Most talents are more easily accepted, such as music, art, dance #gtchat
- 4:29 pm **TheMissBobbie:** RT @DavidsonGifted: Here are a few more suggestions: Gifted friendly

- 4:30 pm **cybraryman1**: Every child has something they can do well and we should help them pursue and develop their interests #gtchat
- 4:31 pm **TheMissBobbie**: someone said something about feeling like a misfit-i have definitely noticed that and tried to help correct #gtchat
- 4:31 pm **GaryBrannigan**: Biggest problem fitting in is often had by original and creative thinkers - divergent thinkers #gtchat
- 4:31 pm **IAmDyslexic**: YES :) @cybraryman1 Every child has something they can do well and we should help them pursue and develop their interests #gtchat
- 4:32 pm **DavidsonGifted**: This might be of interest to the teachers out there:
http://www.davidsongifted.org/db/Articles_id_10075.aspx #gtchat
- 4:32 pm **TheMissBobbie**: so many opportunities to teach our kids about embracing giftedness if we just look for them #gtchat
- 4:32 pm **CathRiordan**: @cybraryman1 But gifted means having the ability to do something not just well, but exceptionally well. That's the difference #gtchat
- 4:32 pm **TheMissBobbie**: RT @GaryBrannigan: Biggest problem fitting in is often had by original and creative thinkers - divergent thinkers #gtchat
- 4:32 pm **cybraryman1**: Schools should provide GT parenting sessions and set up support groups for parents. #gtchat
- 4:34 pm **GaryBrannigan**: RT @cybraryman1: Schools should provide GT parenting sessions and set up support groups for parents. /GOOD POINT! #gtchat
- 4:34 pm **TheMissBobbie**: in places where no support group-online support groups are helpful (for me at least) #gtchat
- 4:34 pm **DavidsonGifted**: @cybraryman1 Some schools sponsor SENG Parent Groups for this purpose. #gtchat www.sengifted.org
- 4:35 pm **GaryBrannigan**: RT @TheMissBobbie: in places where no support group-online support groups are helpful (for me at least)/ LIKE GTCHAT & ERIK! #gtchat
- 4:35 pm **TheMissBobbie**: not all schools can handle the gt kids, much less parents-wish there were resources in every state #gtchat
- 4:36 pm **TheMissBobbie**: @GaryBrannigan YES like #gtchat (what's an ERIK? did i miss something?)
- 4:38 pm **GaryBrannigan**: @TheMissBobbie Erik's a he, our guest speaker (tweeter) #gtchat
- 4:38 pm **Ifamous**: Wish our school had a parent support group for gifted. #gtchat
- 4:39 pm **TheMissBobbie**: @GaryBrannigan cool - thanks Erik for all you do!!! #gtchat
- 4:40 pm **DavidsonGifted**: A pretty good review of the research on #gifted awareness: ?Giftedness and Self-Concept?. <http://bit.ly/cwEMm5> #gtchat
- 4:41 pm **CathRiordan**: @Ifamous You may have to do like us here and set up your own! #gtchat
- 4:43 pm **UsborneJody**: Every child has something they can do well and we should help them pursue and develop their interests #gtchat via @cybraryman1, @IAmDyslexic
- 4:43 pm **aposseadesse66**: @Ifamous Sometimes it's good to have parents from different schools to share experiences too, that's what we do here & it works well #gtchat
- 4:43 pm **CathRiordan**: RT @DavidsonGifted: A pretty good review of the research on #gifted awareness: ?Giftedness and Self-Concept?. <http://bit.ly/cwEMm5> #gtchat
- 4:43 pm **DavidsonGifted**: @CathRiordan YES! Don't be shy to get out and "just do it" You know the old saying: If you want something done right...#gtchat
- 4:45 pm **TheMissBobbie**: odyssey of the mind was awesome for my son - gave him access to others like him #gtchat
- 4:46 pm **Ifamous**: @aposseadesse66 @CathRiordan they said we used to have a county gifted group, but it stopped meeting. #gtchat

- 4:46 pm **TheMissBobbie**: gifted kids need support as much as we parents do #gtchat
- 4:46 pm **CathRiordan**: Many gifted traits can be seen in a negative light unless put in context. eg intensity, perfectionism, drive/high energy etc #gtchat
- 4:47 pm **DavidsonGifted**: RT @CathRiordan: Many gifted traits can be seen in a negative light unless put in context. eg intensity, perfectionism, drive/high energy etc #gtchat
- 4:48 pm **MyGiftedLife**: hi all, @bfwriter checking into #gtchat (a little late to the party)
- 4:48 pm **TheMissBobbie**: RT @CathRiordan: Many gifted traits r seen negative light unless put in context. eg intensity, perfectionism, drive/high energy etc #gtchat
- 4:48 pm **aposseadesse66**: RT @CathRiordan: Many gifted traits can be seen in a negative light unless put in context. eg intensity, perfectionism, drive/high energy etc #gtchat
- 4:49 pm **cybraryman1**: RT @TheMissBobbie: gifted kids need support as much as we parents do #gtchat
- 4:49 pm **TheMissBobbie**: @MyGiftedLife hi-so glad you made it to the party (better late than never) #gtchat
- 4:49 pm **GaryBrannigan**: I have to get back to work. Thank you all #gtchat
- 4:49 pm **DavidsonGifted**: @CathRiordan I so agree. w/o context, the label of #gifted can carry with it so much baggage. Kids can feel so much pressure! #gtchat
- 4:49 pm **CathRiordan**: Another one I used to have difficulty with was a strong sense of injustice and the need to take action while others can leave it go #gtchat
- 4:49 pm **cybraryman1**: @TheMissBobbie Odyssey of the Mind is an excellent program! #gtchat
- 4:50 pm **DavidsonGifted**: We only have a few minutes left. Please post any final thoughts and/or ideas about what you might do differently/try? #gtchat
- 4:51 pm **TheMissBobbie**: wonder if anyone has ever thought of setting up/monitoring site for g/t kids? would it even be feasible #gtchat
- 4:51 pm **DavidsonGifted**: @CathRiordan Yes! We see this drive toward social/environmental justice with our Young Scholars and Academy Students. Nurture it! #gtchat
- 4:52 pm **MyGiftedLife**: @TheMissBobbie Gifted Haven is for kids (maybe just teens?) #gtchat
- 4:52 pm **TheMissBobbie**: always grateful for everyone's insights/advice in these chats! #gtchat
- 4:52 pm **TheMissBobbie**: RT @MyGiftedLife: @TheMissBobbie Gifted Haven is for kids (maybe just teens?) #gtchat //thanks! i will check it out
- 4:53 pm **DavidsonGifted**: Feel free to continue the discussion here: Gifted Issues Discussion Forum: <http://giftedissues.davidsongifted.org/BB/> #gtchat
- 4:53 pm **CathRiordan**: @DavidsonGifted Can make you seem like you're constantly on some crusade or other. Bu the world needs crusaders! #gtchat
- 4:53 pm **cybraryman1**: Parenting Gifted Children sites: <http://bit.ly/8rDekG> #gtchat #gifted
- 4:54 pm **TheMissBobbie**: RT @DavidsonGifted: Gifted Issues Discussion Forum: <http://bit.ly/acbMLo> #gtchat //ty didnt realize this existed
- 4:55 pm **aposseadesse66**: Another one: <http://www.cogito.org/default.aspx> is really interesting for teens #gtchat
- 4:55 pm **TheMissBobbie**: RT @cybraryman1: Parenting Gifted Children sites: <http://bit.ly/8rDekG> #gtchat #gifted //GREAT thanks
- 4:55 pm **CathRiordan**: @DavidsonGifted Thank you for hosting this chat. You are a mine of wonderful information #gtchat
- 4:55 pm **TheMissBobbie**: RT @aposseadesse66: Another one: <http://bit.ly/8YWF34> is really interesting for teens #gtchat //thanks! trying this out too-son is 10 now
- 4:56 pm **TheMissBobbie**: thanks everyone - heading out to enjoy some lunch w/son on this last day of spring break #gtchat

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Transcript for #gtchat - What the Hasht...

4:56 pm

cybraryman1: RT @CathRiordan: @DavidsonGifted Thank you for hosting this chat. You are a mine of wonderful information #gtchat

4:57 pm

DavidsonGifted: TY all for allowing us to serve as guest moderator 4 #gtchat ? if you have questions or if we can help, email info@daidsongifted.org

4:57 pm

aposedesse66: @DavidsonGifted Thank you for great links, will join in Discussion Forum for sure. #gtchat

4:58 pm

DavidsonGifted: Thank you to all participants for sharing thier experiences and insights with us today! #gtchat

4:58 pm

DavidsonGifted: Dont forget! Join us at 7pm/EST for our second #gtchat session on Taking a Closer Look at the Power of Mentorships #gifted

5:08 pm

MSUgifted: RT @DavidsonGifted: Feel free to continue the discussion here: Gifted Issues Discussion Forum: <http://giftedissues.davidsongifted.org/BB/> #gtchat

5:52 pm

mygiftedgirl: Missed noon Twitter #gtchat - Fighting state issues in #education. Will try to make 7pm EST! #gifted <http://bit.ly/apVRaE>

6:44 pm

DeborahMersino: A big thank you to @DavidsonGifted for doing a consummate job of moderating the noon/EST #gtchat. Well done! :-) Transcript coming shortly!

6:47 pm

DeborahMersino: Transcript from 03.26.10 #gtchat on "When/Why/How to Talk about #Gifted Label" <http://bit.ly/bC0B0k> {scroll to 4pm} TY @DavidsonGifted !

7:05 pm

DeborahMersino: RT @DavidsonGifted: Dont forget! Join us at 7pm/EST for our second #gtchat session on Taking a Closer Look at the Power of Mentorships #gifted

7:45 pm

Giftedkidsie: RT @DeborahMersino: Transcript from 03.26.10 #gtchat on "When/Why/How to Talk about #Gifted Label" <http://bit.ly/bC0B0k> {scroll to 4pm}...

7:50 pm

Giftedkidsie: RT @DavidsonGifted: Dont forget! Join us at 7pm/EST for our second #gtchat session on Taking a Closer Look at the Power of Mentorships...

10:32 pm

DeborahMersino: 30 minutes until #gtchat! We'll be discussing mentors. Hope you can join us! #gifted

10:43 pm

DeborahMersino: Fun fact re upcoming #gtchat: Did you know the basis for the term mentor originated in Homer's Odyssey?

10:45 pm

DeborahMersino: Fun fact (cont.) Odysseus left his trusted friend Mentor in charge of his household and son during his absence... #gtchat coming up.

10:45 pm

cybraryman1: RT @Giftedkidsie: RT @DavidsonGifted: Dont forget! Join us at 7pm/EST #gtchat Taking a Closer Look at the Power of Mentorships...

10:57 pm

mygiftedgirl: RT @DeborahMersino: Fun fact re upcoming #gtchat: Did you know the basis for the term mentor originated in Homer's Odyssey?

10:59 pm

DMTAG: RT @DavidsonGifted: Here are a few more suggestions: Gifted friendly parenting strategies- <http://bit.ly/clu1tG> #gtchat

10:59 pm

DeborahMersino: My tweets for the next hour will be devoted to #gtchat.

11:00 pm

mygiftedgirl: My tweets for the next hour will be devoted to #gtchat.

11:01 pm

DeborahMersino: Welcome to #gtchat. Our topic tonight/this morning will be "Exploring the Power of Mentorships for #Gifted Students."

11:02 pm

DeborahMersino: Please take a moment to introduce yourself, your role (parent, teacher, advocate, mentor, mentee) and where you reside. #gtchat

11:03 pm

mygiftedgirl: I am Audrey founder of My Gifted Girl, a site growing in the area helping gifted girls and women find mentors. #gtchat

11:03 pm

DeborahMersino: I'm Deborah Mersino, moderator of #gtchat, mother to two girls, consultant to GT communities and live in Colorado.

11:03 pm

Is1smith: I am Lisa Smith (mom) #gtchat

11:03 pm

TheMissBobbie: my tweets for the next hour will be devoted to #gtchat

11:04 pm

8Amber8: RT @cybraryman1: Parenting Gifted Children sites: <http://bit.ly/8rDakG> #gtchat

11:04 pm

CathRiordan: RT @cybraryman1: Mentoring Gifted Children sites. <http://bit.ly/01DERS> #gtchat #gifted

11:04 pm

TheMissBobbie: I am Bobbie - mom/advocate in south Arkansas #gtchat (only works when i put the hashtag on lol)

11:04 pm

DeborahMersino: We'll be discussing what makes a good mentorship program work, the types of students/mentors that work best together, etc. #gtchat

11:04 pm

CathRiordan: Hi folks! Mother and advocate in Ireland. #gtchat

11:04 pm

GaryBrannigan: Clinical & School Psychologist from upstate NY #gtchat

11:05 pm

aposseadesse66: Evening everyone from Dublin, Karen here, mum to three. #gtchat

11:05 pm

DeborahMersino: Mentor Relationships and #Gifted Learners from @NAGCGIFTED | <http://bit.ly/bRDqh5> #gtchat

11:06 pm

TheMissBobbie: I love having yall from Ireland here - I so want to visit some time #gtchat

11:06 pm

DavidsonGifted: This is Rebecca from The Davidson Institute for Talent Development #gtchat

11:06 pm

DeborahMersino: Mentoring #Gifted Children blog w/ links from @cfertig1 (Carol Fertig) via Prufrock's Child Info Blog) <http://bit.ly/d8X3zY> #gtchat

11:06 pm

cybraryman1: Everyone involved in a mentoring program benefits. #gtchat

11:06 pm

GaryBrannigan: The group does have an Irish flavor to it! #gtchat

11:07 pm

Is1smith: RT @DeborahMersino: Mentor Relationships and #Gifted Learners from @NAGCGIFTED | <http://bit.ly/bRDqh5> #gtchat

11:07 pm

DeborahMersino: I agree with @TheMissBobbie. We'll definitely have to have a #gtchat conference (live) in Ireland!

11:07 pm

TheMissBobbie: we have no formal mentoring program here, but I have set up mentors for my son from older gents from church #gtchat

11:07 pm

DeborahMersino: Telementoring: Opportunities for Virtual Mentoring via @DukeTIP newsletter | <http://bit.ly/93p8EI> #gifted #gtchat

11:08 pm

CathRiordan: Yes, we Irish like to air our views! #gtchat

11:08 pm

TheMissBobbie: RT @DeborahMersino: I agree with @TheMissBobbie. We'll definitely have to have a #gtchat conference (live) in Ireland! //TAKE ME!!!

11:08 pm

CathRiordan: Great advice from New South Wales Dept of Ed on mentor progs: <http://bit.ly/bP7y1I> #gtchat

11:08 pm

DavidsonGifted: We have a comprehensive guidebook that walks families through the mentoring process from start to finish <http://bit.ly/a1HjZ1>. #gtchat

11:08 pm

DeborahMersino: What makes a good mentor and what types of students benefit? Let's discuss. #gtchat

11:08 pm

aposseadesse66: @GaryBrannigan I'm sure there are more than a few Brannigans over this side of the pond too! #gtchat

11:08 pm

TheMissBobbie: my son has an older mentor for getting haircuts/one for picking acorns & fishing -- wish we had formal program here #gtchat

11:09 pm

DeborahMersino: RT @DavidsonGifted: We have a comprehensive guidebook that walks families through the mentoring process from start to finish <http://bit.ly/a1HjZ1>. #gtchat

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Is1smith: RT @DeborahMersino: Telementoring: Opportunities for Virtual Mentoring via @DukeTIP newsletter | <http://bit.ly/93p8EI> #gifted #gtchat

11:09 pm

DeborahMersino: Hooray. Thank you @DavidsonGifted. #gtchat

11:09 pm

DeborahMersino: RT @CathRiordan: Great advice from New South Wales Dept of Ed on mentor progs: <http://bit.ly/bP7y1I> #gtchat

11:10 pm

Is1smith: @DavidsonGifted Awesome!!! #gtchat

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- 11:10 pm **Is1smith:** RT @DavidsonGifted: We have a comprehensive guidebook that walks families through the mentoring process from start to finish <http://bit.ly/a1HjZ1>. #gtchat
- 11:10 pm **CathRiordan:** Mentors can be great benefit to gifted kids from socio-economically disadvantaged backgrounds. #gtchat
- 11:10 pm **TheMissBobbie:** RT @DavidsonGifted: We have a comp guidebook that walks families through mentoring process start to finish <http://bit.ly/a1HjZ1>. #gtchat
- 11:10 pm **GaryBrannigan:** Are we talking about mentors who are gifted/talented? #gtchat
- 11:11 pm **jofrei:** Hi Jo Freitag from Gifted Resources Melbourne Aus joining #gtchat
- 11:11 pm **DeborahMersino:** Highly motivated students with focused interests are the best candidates for mentoring. - Del Siegle #gtchat
- 11:11 pm **CathRiordan:** @jofrei Hi Jo! #gtchat
- 11:11 pm **DavidsonGifted:** @TheMissBobbie many families who have found academic mentorships without formal programs by contacting local university folks #gtchat
- 11:12 pm **TheMissBobbie:** @DavidsonGifted i heard from a psychologist to try local univ - havent had luck, where do i find help? i'm in AR #gtchat
- 11:12 pm **DeborahMersino:** @GaryBrannigan - We're talking about finding mentors and setting up mentorships for gifted & talented students. #gtchat
- 11:13 pm **DeborahMersino:** The best students have independent work habits, a strong grasp of subject matter and desire to be mentored. (Roberts/Inman) #gtchat
- 11:14 pm **DeborahMersino:** HI @jofrei ! #gtchat
- 11:14 pm **cybraryman1:** Schools should develop a school business partnership like Open Doors (also see: Health Careers Program) <http://bit.ly/34zO7O> #gtchat
- 11:14 pm **DavidsonGifted:** @TheMissBobbie Start in your local circle of friends and colleagues, they may be or know an interested party. #gtchat
- 11:14 pm **aposseadesse66:** RT @CathRiordan: Mentors can be great benefit to gifted kids from socio-economically disadvantaged backgrounds. #gtchat
- 11:14 pm **DeborahMersino:** Mentors can be found in universities, but also K-12 schools, service groups, research institutes, cultural inst. gov. agencies. #gtchat
- 11:15 pm **GaryBrannigan:** I have seen HS pullout program that teamed with gifted/talented people in community. #gtchat
- 11:15 pm **cybraryman1:** The high school I attended had a great working relationship with a neighboring college. #gtchat
- 11:15 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @aposseadesse66: RT @CathRiordan: Mentors can be great benefit to gifted kids from socio-economically disadvantaged backgrounds. #gtchat
- 11:15 pm **DavidsonGifted:** @TheMissBobbie We find when children seek their own mentors they have greater success than when their parents or teachers do #gtchat
- 11:16 pm **DeborahMersino:** @aposseadesse66 - You're right. Three groups benefit most. Highly gifted, disadvantaged & underachieving students. #gtchat
- 11:16 pm **TheMissBobbie:** @DavidsonGifted my son chooses older adults as his mentors - he's more comfy with people in 60s&70s than anyone else #gtchat
- 11:16 pm **CathRiordan:** For anyone in Ireland bet 15 and 25yrs, the Gaisce award prog, <http://www.gaisce.ie/> , is great. (Not specifically for G&T) #gtchat
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- 11:17 pm **GaryBrannigan:** @TheMissBobbie Pairing students with retired folks benefits both #gtchat

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- 11:18 pm **DeborahMersino:** One of my favorite resources | Developing Mentorship Programs for #Gifted Students by Del Siegle | <http://bit.ly/buAAhl> #gtchat
- 11:18 pm **GaryBrannigan:** RT @DeborahMersino: @GaryBrannigan - Was it successful? What worked?" No data, but word of mouth was favorable - program expanded! #gtchat
- 11:18 pm **mygiftedgirl:** Mentoring is so important for gifted girls at every state of life. They don't always have to be academic or in same profession. #gtchat
- 11:18 pm **DeborahMersino:** @bfwriter - So glad you joined us. We have a mentor among us! #gtchat
- 11:19 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @mygiftedgirl: Mentoring is so important for gifted girls at every state of life. They don't always have to be academic or in same profession. #gtchat
- 11:20 pm **cybraryman1:** My Middle School's Foster Grandparent program was wonderful for the children and seniors. A lot of intergenerational learning #gtchat
- 11:20 pm **Is1smith:** RT @DeborahMersino: One of my favorite resources | Developing Mentorship Programs for #Gifted Students by Del Siegle | <http://bit.ly/buAAhl> #gtchat
- 11:20 pm **GaryBrannigan:** @GaryBrannigan What worked was the first hand experience with a professional in a particular field: music, art, writing... #gtchat
- 11:20 pm **DeborahMersino:** Selecting the right mentor can be tricky. Mentees must first view their mentors as nurturing and warm. (Rimm) #gtchat
- 11:20 pm **DeborahMersino:** Encouragement is particularly important to females (Torrance). #gtchat
- 11:21 pm **cybraryman1:** RT @CathRiordan: Mentors must be aware that emotional maturity may not match intellectual ability and not expect too much. #gtchat
- 11:21 pm **TheMissBobbie:** my son does mentoring/tutoring students older than he is in reading/math but his mentors are much older #gtchat
- 11:21 pm **DeborahMersino:** Second, mentees must see themselves similar to to their mentors (common interests, similar physical char. and/or comparable bckg. #gtchat
- 11:22 pm **TheMissBobbie:** and those mentoring him do not know about giftedness (although it's not a bad thing) #gtchat
- 11:22 pm **GaryBrannigan:** @TheMissBobbie It's good that your son see both sides of the process; both are rewarding #gtchat
- 11:23 pm **DeborahMersino:** @TheMissBobbie - According to Kaufman (via Siegle), the best mentors are 15 yrs older than their mentees. #gtchat
- 11:23 pm **mygiftedgirl:** So far in my life I've had 8 mentors. 3 of which are current. I attribute much of my happiness and success to these people. #gtchat
- 11:23 pm **CathRiordan:** Girls often focus their abilities on nurturing others. ?Helper? roles can negatively affect their aspirations. #gtchat
- 11:23 pm **jofrei:** RT @mygiftedgirl: Mentoring is so important for gifted girls at every state of life. They don't always have to be academic or in same profession. #gtchat
- 11:23 pm **DeborahMersino:** The age span helps limit competition; moreover, they're already established in their careers. #gtchat
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- 11:24 pm **mygiftedgirl:** My favorite mentor was a male engineer. Totally different from me. I had the most professional growth with him. #gtchat
- 11:24 pm **GaryBrannigan:** May be difficult to pair students and mentors perfectly, but it is not so much what students do as that they do #gtchat
- 11:24 pm **DavidsonGifted:** Here are some tips for finding a mentor for your gifted child

- 11:24 pm **TheMissBobbie:** @DeborahMersino if older mentors are a good thing then i've been doing well and didnt even know it #gtchat
- 11:25 pm **mygiftedgirl:** Gifted Middle and HS Girls need relationship mentors in addition to academic related/passion related mentors #gtchat
- 11:25 pm **DeborahMersino:** @mygiftedgirl - How wonderful. I, too, have great respect for the mentors I've been fortunate to have...so critical! #gtchat
- 11:25 pm **Is1smith:** RT @DavidsonGifted: Here are some tips for finding a mentor for your gifted child http://www.davidsongifted.org/db/Articles_id_10283.aspx #gtchat
- 11:25 pm **DeborahMersino:** @mygiftedgirl - So true. @TheMissBobbie - good for you! #gtchat
- 11:25 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @DavidsonGifted: Here are some tips for finding a mentor for your gifted child http://www.davidsongifted.org/db/Articles_id_10283.aspx #gtchat
- 11:26 pm **cybraryman1:** My son had a fantastic mentorship at an Institute for Medical Research while working on a Science project #gtchat
- 11:26 pm **aposedesse66:** RT @mygiftedgirl: Gifted Middle and HS Girls need relationship mentors in addition to academic related/passion related mentors #gtchat
- 11:27 pm **TheFamilyCoach:** RT @DavidsonGifted: Tips for finding a mentor for your gifted child http://www.davidsongifted.org/db/Articles_id_10283.aspx #gtchat
- 11:27 pm **DeborahMersino:** A mentor's teaching style should be compatible with the mentee's learning style. (Berger, Kaufman via Siegle). #gtchat
- 11:27 pm **CathRiordan:** Volunteering is a good way for some kids to find like-minded mentors #gtchat
- 11:27 pm **DeborahMersino:** @cybraryman1 - How long did it last? I've read that the longer the mentorship relationship lasts, the better. #gtchat
- 11:27 pm **MyGiftedLife:** will organizations like Big Brothers/Big Sisters match you specifically with a gifted Little Brother/Sister? #gtchat
- 11:28 pm **TheMissBobbie:** @DeborahMersino although mentor can adapt to mentees' learning style if they are aware #gtchat
- 11:28 pm **evelynsaenz:** RT @DavidsonGifted: Here are some tips for finding a mentor for your gifted child http://www.davidsongifted.org/db/Articles_id_10283.aspx #gtchat
- 11:28 pm **DeborahMersino:** Welcome @TheFamilyCoach. Glad you're with us! #gtchat
- 11:29 pm **Is1smith:** Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts help children develop interests and place them around older adults who can serve as mentors in those area #gtchat
- 11:29 pm **cybraryman1:** My son's mentorship lasted a year. It was once a week as he had a project to keep track of. #gtchat
- 11:30 pm **DeborahMersino:** @TheMissBobbie - True regarding learning modalities (auditory, visual, kinesthetic and reading/discussing and time of day/mobility). #gtchat
- 11:30 pm **mygiftedgirl:** How cool.. A mentor of mine just called me! She is helping me learn the ropes of gifted advocacy. #gtchat
- 11:30 pm **GaryBrannigan:** I see students as apprentices who gradually take on more responsibility in the collaborative process with a mentor #gtchat
- 11:30 pm **DeborahMersino:** @cybraryman1 - That's excellent! #gtchat
- 11:30 pm **TheFamilyCoach:** @DeborahMersino: #gtchat So Plsd to know you I work with Paul Beljan of Misdiagnosis of gifted and talented.. w James Webb
- 11:30 pm **jofrei:** Aus PLIESE use mentoring of students for projects in passion areas for disengaged and 2E #gifted students <http://www.pliese.com.au/> #gtchat
- 11:31 pm **TheMissBobbie:** @DeborahMersino thru PTK at college, son & i mentor/tutor kids once/week with learning disabilities-we adapt to them #gtchat
- 11:31 pm **CathRiordan:** Mentor/mentee relationship should be 2-way, not pupil-teacher. Based on mutual respect #gtchat

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- 11:33 pm **cybraryman1:** It is important to sit down with prospective mentors & provide them with guidelines & info on how to work with your students #gtchat
- 11:33 pm **DeborahMersino:** Youth in short-term mentoring relations (3-6 months) don't show significant improvement/even report feeling less confident. (Siegle) #gtchat
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- 11:34 pm **cybraryman1:** Your local Chamber of Commerce is a good source for mentors. #gtchat
- 11:34 pm **DeborahMersino:** Some of the resources already posted provide specific roles, forms, waiver examples, etc. All critical to formal mentorship progrms #gtchat
- 11:35 pm **Is1smith:** @cybraryman1 I suppose Rotary Clubs might be as well? #gtchat
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- 11:35 pm **DeborahMersino:** @bfwriter - Can you talk a bit about your current mentoring role? I know it's just getting started but would love to have you share. #gtchat
- 11:35 pm **CathRiordan:** @Is1smith But I bet they treated you with respect and worked collaboratively rather than didactically #gtchat
- 11:37 pm **cybraryman1:** @Is1smith I am sorry I should have included Rotary Club, Kiwanis et al. #gtchat
- 11:37 pm **Is1smith:** @CathRiordan You are absolutely correct!!! #gtchat
- 11:37 pm **DavidsonGifted:** For younger kids, high school honors students and for anyone education students and retirement communities can be good #gtchat
- 11:37 pm **DeborahMersino:** Liability can be an issue. Screening volunteers is important. #gtchat
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- 11:38 pm **CathRiordan:** Mentor Relationships And The Gifted Learner, Sandra Berger, <http://www.ericdigests.org/pre-9216/mentor.htm> #gtchat
- 11:38 pm **teachagiftedkid:** #gtchat Hi all. Checking in from Houston TX. I'm a Gifted Specialist for an Elem school.
- 11:39 pm **thinkingparents:** @cybraryman1 Hi! How are you this fine Friday? What is #gtchat ?

- 11:39 pm **DeborahMersino:** Even if the mentorship is less formal, it's best to treat it with respect (sit-down discussions re expectations, roles/responsib). #gtchat
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- 11:39 pm **DeborahMersino:** @teachagiftedkid - Welcome! Glad you're here. We're discussing how to find mentors and make good matches. #gtchat
- 11:40 pm **DavidsonGifted:** We also like to remind parents to screen potential mentors carefully. There are many sites that provide free background checks #gtchat
- 11:41 pm **aposedesse66:** @DeborahMersino Thanks for mentioning liability, child protection cannot be ignored, unfortunately. #gtchat
- 11:41 pm **DeborahMersino:** If you're not one, have you considered being a mentor, getting involved with setting up a program (I know you have @mygiftedgirl)? #gtchat
- 11:41 pm **Is1smith:** RT @DavidsonGifted: We also like to remind parents to screen potential mentors carefully. There are many sites that provide free background checks #gtchat
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- 11:44 pm **CathRiordan:** Older students can mentor younger ones in school. Can be beneficial for both. #gtchat
- 11:44 pm **cybraryman1:** At the beginning of the year I surveyed the parents of my students to find possible mentors & to use their expertise. #gtchat
- 11:44 pm **Is1smith:** RT @DeborahMersino: When youth enjoy a regular, positive activity w/ an adult mentor over the course of a year, they're 46% less likely to use drugs! #gtchat
- 11:44 pm **DeborahMersino:** 27% less likely to begin using alcohol and 52% less likely to skip school (Charityguide), not to mention how it fills their souls! #gtchat
- 11:44 pm **clairehennessy:** Hi all! Here from Dublin, Ireland, writer, teacher of creative writing to gifted students (among others), former gifted student. #gtchat
- 11:44 pm **GaryBrannigan:** RT @CathRiordan: Older students can mentor younger ones in school. Can be beneficial for both.?GOOD POINT! #gtchat
- 11:45 pm **CathRiordan:** @clairehennessy Hi Claire. Great to see you here! #gtchat
- 11:45 pm **DeborahMersino:** @clairehennessy - Welcome. Again, the Ireland contingency reigns! We're discussing the benefits of mentorships. #gtchat
- 11:46 pm **Is1smith:** @CathRiordan I love that idea. What would be a good way to find a HS mentor for a middle school student (if you don't know any)#gtchat
- 11:46 pm **cybraryman1:** @GaryBrannigan My daughter in sixth grade mentoring first graders! #gtchat
- 11:46 pm **aposedesse66:** @clairehennessy Hi Claire, here's someone who would make a great mentor! #gtchat
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- 11:47 pm **TheMissBobbie:** RT @DeborahMersino: @clairehennessy-Welcome. Again, the Ireland contingency reigns! We're discussing benefits of mentorship. #gtchat /LOVEIT!
- 11:47 pm **GaryBrannigan:** RT @cybraryman1: @GaryBrannigan My daughter in sixth grade mentoring first graders! Great, what does she do? #gtchat
- 11:47 pm **DeborahMersino:** During our #gtchat discussing of blending/fitting in, we talked about how older mentors can help make gifted kids feel sane.
- 11:47 pm **Is1smith:** RT @clairehennessy: Older students not always emotionally ready for mentor role, though - can be tricky area. #gtchat
- 11:48 pm **DavidsonGifted:** @Is1smith You can call the local high school and ask to talk to counselors or the honors society advisor for student references #gtchat
- 11:48 pm **mygiftedgirl:** I would like to find a way to connect #gifted girls and women to mentors, but haven't quite figured out best process yet. #gtchat
- 11:49 pm **GaryBrannigan:** What do people look for in a mentor? #gtchat
- 11:50 pm **DeborahMersino:** @mygiftedgirl - You will. The Siegle book and Duke TIP article both discuss the power of telementoring (in your case Webmentoring?). #gtchat
- 11:50 pm **TheMissBobbie:** @GaryBrannigan since my son has absent father, i found men to help as male role models #gtchat
- 11:50 pm **aposseadesse66:** @GaryBrannigan Passion, patience, understanding and time? #gtchat
- 11:51 pm **jofrei:** RT @CathRiordan: Mentor Relationships And The Gifted Learner, Sandra Berger, <http://www.ericdigests.org/pre-9216/mentor.htm> #gtchat
- 11:51 pm **piggiesandpaws:** RT@TheFamilyCoach @DavidsonGifted: Tips 4 finding a mentor 4 ur gifted child <http://bit.ly/9h1wAF> #gtchat
- 11:51 pm **TheMissBobbie:** @GaryBrannigan the men in my son's life are like grandfathers to him #gtchat
- 11:51 pm **clairehennessy:** RT @GaryBrannigan What do people look for in a mentor? #gtchat Excellence, passion, empathy, generosity.
- 11:51 pm **DeborahMersino:** @GaryBrannigan Experience related to topic they are mentoring, previous mentoring exp (ideal), experience wrk with youth, references #gtchat
- 11:53 pm **clairehennessy:** @aposseadesse66 Passion is hugely important, definitely! #gtchat
- 11:53 pm **CathRiordan:** Sometimes people find mentors by accident. They just find each other through mutual interest and "click" #gtchat
- 11:53 pm **GaryBrannigan:** When it comes to mentors, I wonder if the ideal and the available match up? #gtchat
- 11:54 pm **DeborahMersino:** We've got less than 10 minutes left. Any unanswered questions, final thoughts, aha moments? Please share! #gtchat
- 11:54 pm **cybraryman1:** A mentor should be: appreciable, understanding, patient, adaptable, caring, experienced, knowledgeable, resourceful, professional...#gtchat
- 11:56 pm **aposseadesse66:** I am slowly drawing up a list (in my head) of potential mentors as my kids head deeper into the teenage years... #gtchat
- 11:56 pm **GaryBrannigan:** @cybraryman1 Wow! #gtchat
- 11:56 pm **clairehennessy:** @CathRiordan Good point: serendipitous mentorships can work v well and be more personal. #gtchat
- 11:56 pm **DeborahMersino:** @GaryBrannigan 7 out of 10 mentors dropout w/i the first 3 months of mentoring when their isn't adequate training/screening (Siegle) #gtchat
- 11:57 pm **DeborahMersino:** @aposseadesse66 - Love it. #gtchat
- 11:57 pm **DeborahMersino:** Having an understanding of giftedness is important. #gtchat
- 11:58 pm **DavidsonGifted:** Finding a mentor can be a long, frustrating process, but the reward and

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- 11:58 pm **mygiftedgirl:** Sometimes a good mentor for our child is right there and we have to open our eyes and ears to it. #gtchat
- 11:58 pm **CathRiordan:** My own summary of mentoring the gifted: <http://bit.ly/9xxKhC> #gtchat
- 11:58 pm **Is1smith:** RT @DavidsonGifted: Finding a mentor can be a long, frustrating process, but the reward and relationship can be wonderful for #gifted kids! #gtchat
- 11:58 pm **DeborahMersino:** @DavidsonGifted - Couldn't agree more! #gtchat
- 11:59 pm **DeborahMersino:** RT @CathRiordan My own summary of mentoring the gifted: <http://bit.ly/9xxKhC> #gtchat {Can't wait to read!}
- 11:59 pm **aposseadesse66:** RT @CathRiordan: My own summary of mentoring the gifted: <http://bit.ly/9xxKhC> Fab work, well done! #gtchat
- 11:59 pm **TheMissBobbie:** thanks everyone once again for great insight and ideas - thanks @DeborahMersino for the awesome job you do! #gtchat
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