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Center for Gifted Education and Talent Development

**Third Annual
GT Parent
Conference
2022**

*Gathering, informing, and
supporting parents of gifted
students*

**FEBRUARY 19
12:30 P.M.–5:00 P.M. (CST)
VIRTUAL CONFERENCE VIA ZOOM**

KEYNOTE

12:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. (CST)

The Social and Emotional Lives of Students With Gifts and Talents: 40 Years of Research and Practice

Dr. Tracy L. Cross

Students with gifts and talents face unique situations in their social and emotional development. Although their exceptional abilities can bring many positive experiences, there are also stressors in their environments that others do not anticipate or experience. Over the past 40 years, research has identified ways in which these students engage with others and deal with their abilities. Internal factors, or endogenous characteristics such as perfectionism or introversion, and external factors (exogenous interactions), such as the reactions of others to their exceptional abilities, can interact to affect students' social and emotional development and overall psychological well-being. In this session, Dr. Cross will describe research into these factors, providing suggestions for parents that support healthy psychological development.



Tracy L. Cross, Ph.D., holds an endowed chair, Jody and Layton Smith Professor of Psychology and Gifted Education, and is the executive director of the Center for Gifted Education and the Institute for Research on the Suicide of Gifted Students at William & Mary. He has published more than 150 articles, book chapters, and columns; made more than 300 presentations at conferences; and published ten books. He received the Distinguished Service Award from The Association for the Gifted (TAG) and the National Association for Gifted Children (NAGC), the Early Leader, Early Scholar and Distinguished Scholar Awards from NAGC, and in 2009 was given the Lifetime Achievement Award from the MENSA Education and Research Foundation.

BREAKOUT SESSION 1

2:00 P.M.–2:50 P.M.

Session Options

Acceleration: Who, What, When, Where and How?

Wendy A. Behrens and Emily Villamar-Robbins

Above-Level Testing: Why? Where? How?

Carol Raymond

BREAKOUT SESSION 2

3:00 P.M.–3:50 P.M.

Session Options

There are 2E's in CrEativE: Attention Divergent
Hyperactive Giftedness

Dr. Matt Fugate

Creating GT Parent Groups to Facilitate GT
Advocacy

Kim Farbisz

BREAKOUT SESSION 3

4:00 P.M.–4:50 P.M.

Session Options

Just When You Think Your Work Here Is Done:
Navigating the Road to College for Gifted Young
Adults

Kimberley Barber Davis

2e Social-Emotional Support: Empowerment
Through Parent Groups

Dr. Lin Lim and Cherin Escher



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SPRING 2022 GT
PARENT CONFERENCE

AGENDA

WELCOME AND KEYNOTE

12:30 p.m.–1:45 p.m.

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**Parent Networking Event
(Optional)**

5:00 p.m.–5:30 p.m.