



2006 Edufest/NAGC Parent Institute

A Day for Parenting for High Potential

Saturday, July 22, 2006, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Boise State Student Union Building, Boise, Idaho

This all day parent institute is being sponsored by Edufest and the National Association for Gifted Children. Parents will have the opportunity to meet and talk with members of NAGC's National Association's National Parent Trust, attend workshops on topics of vital interest to parents with gifted children of varying ages, abilities, and interests, and enjoy a networking lunch.

A selection of topics will be presented in large and small group settings with a focus on developing and supporting your child's interests, communication with your child's school, creativity, gifted—but not motivated, unique traits of gifted children, sorting out educational options, the young gifted child, and much, much more.

Parents will learn how to address these issues in order to help their gifted child/adolescent meet the most important task he or she faces—building a "comfortable alliance" with their abilities. Suggestions for parents on how to create a healthy, creative family for their gifted children will be discussed.

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Robin M. Schader



Joan Franklin Smutny



Arlene DeVries



Julie Gonzales



Dr. Sylvia Rimm



Judith J. Roseberry

◆ **Robin M. Schader** is the Parent Resource Specialist for NAGC. She has responded to thousands of email and phone inquiries from parents across the nation and around the world. She also holds a half-time position as assistant research professor at the University of Connecticut where she co-authored and teaches online courses titled "Collaborating with Parents and Community in Gifted Education" and "Parenting for Talent Development." Her research focuses on the role of parental involvement, and she is the principal investigator on "LearningLinks: Connecting Parent, Teachers, and Students," a project with the National PTA. Her publications include a regular column for NAGC's magazine *Parenting for High Potential*; "Decisions Regarding Music Training: Parental Beliefs and Values" in *Gifted Child Quarterly* and "Music & Minds: Using a Talent Development Approach for Young Adults with Williams Syndrome in Exceptional Children."

◆ **Joan Franklin Smutny** is founder and director of the Center for Gifted at National-Louis University. She is editor of the *Illinois Association for Gifted Children Journal*, contributing editor of *Understanding Our Gifted* and the *Roeper Review*, a feature writer for the *Gifted Education Communicator*, and *Roeper Review*, a feature writer for the *Gifted Education Communicator*, and a contributor to *Parenting for High Potential*, *TEMPO*, and *Chicago Parent Magazine*. She has authored, coauthored, and edited many articles and books on gifted education for teachers and parents, including *Teaching Young Gifted Children in the Regular Classroom* (1997); *The Young Gifted Child: Potential and Promise*, an Anthology (1998); *Stand Up for Your Gifted Child* (2001); *Undeserved*

Gifted Populations (2003); *Differentiated Instruction* (2003); *Designing and Developing Programs for Gifted Children* (2003); and *Gifted Education: Promising Practices* (2003). In 1996, she won the NAGC Distinguished Service Award for outstanding contributions to the field of education.

◆ **Arlene DeVries, M.S.E.** is the Gifted/Talented Community Resource Consultant for the Des Moines Public Schools. She is President of the Iowa Talented and Gifted Association, has served as their parent chapter liaison, is a member of the Board of Directors of the National Association for Gifted Children, and for many years, chair of the NAGC Parent/Community Division. Her degree in guidance and counseling led to her special interest in the social and emotional needs of gifted children. She has numerous published articles in gifted journals, is a frequent presenter at state and national conferences, and has facilitated more than 55 ten-week series of SENG-Model parent discussion groups in her local community. She teams with Dr. James Webb in training facilitators across the country to lead SENG-Model parent groups and has co-authored with him, *Gifted Parent Groups: The SENG Model*.

◆ **Julie Gonzales** is the GT Development Specialist for Cherry Creek School District in Denver, Colorado, Information Liaison for the Colorado Association for Gifted and Talented, and Co-Chair, Parent and Community Division of the National Association for Gifted Children. Her leadership roles at the local, state, and national level represent over 25 years of grass roots advocacy, education outreach for parents and professionals, and effective policy and alliance development with business, industry, and education. She

was the first parent elected to the Board of Directors for the National Association for Gifted Children. Julie was honored by NAGC in 2002 as Parent of the Year and presented the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Colorado Association for Gifted and Talented in October, 2005.

◆ **Dr. Sylvia Rimm** is a psychologist and directs the Family Achievement Clinic, in Cleveland, Ohio, and is a clinical professor at Case School of Medicine. She has authored many articles and books including *How to Parent So Children Will Learn*, *Why Bright Kids Get Poor Grades-And What You Can Do About It*, *Raising Preschoolers*, *See Jane Win®*, *How Jane Won*, and *See Jane Win® For Girls*. *See Jane Win®* was a New York Times Bestseller and was featured on the Oprah Winfrey and Today shows and in *People Magazine*. Her book, *Rescuing the Emotional Lives of Overweight Children*, was a finalist for the Books for a Better Life Award and her newest book is *Growing Up Too Fast: The Rimm Report on the Secret World of America's Middle Schoolers*. Dr. Rimm also writes a parenting column syndicated nationally through Creators Syndicate.

◆ **Judith J. Roseberry** is president of the California Association of the Gifted. She is a consultant and presenter to state departments, school districts, and conferences around the country as well as publisher of several articles in journals and national magazines. As a parent of two gifted daughters, a teacher since 1960, and principal for eleven years, Judith has been a leader in the education of parent groups, students at risk, underachieving gifted students, and supporting the emotional side of gifted children and parents.

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University SUB
Boise, Idaho

Register before June 30th

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Held in conjunction with the **Edufest Parent Institute**, children will choose from several different educational activities to participate in.

For more information, check the Edufest website or contact Nancy Gregory at (208) 323-8354 or nancygregory1@gmail.com. More information will be sent with confirmation letter.

Register with Parent Institute Registration before June 30th, at \$25 per child to hold a spot for your child.

Also-

KidFest is looking for sponsors, scholarship funds, and donations (bottled water, art supplies, lunches). Contact Nancy to help out.

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Edufest Parent Institute and KidFest Registration

Registration is separate from full week **Edufest** registration

_____ **Parent Institute** (includes materials and lunch)

\$55 one parent **\$75** two people interested in the same child

Parent Name(s) _____ Title/Positions _____

Home Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

School Address _____ District _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____

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Child's Name _____ Age _____ Grade _____ Main Interests _____

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Address and phone if different from above _____

Special needs or considerations _____

Method of Payment: Check payable to **Edufest** _____ Purchase order number _____

Send to: Edufest, PO Box 45086, Boise, ID 83711-5086

Edufest Parent Institute, KidFest, and School Counselor and Psychologist Institute are in conjunction with the weeklong **Edufest 2006** summer conference held in the Boise State University Student Union Building in Boise, Idaho, on July 23rd – 28th, 2006. **Edufest 2006** includes 5 international and national Keynote Speakers, 39 week-long daily Sessions and 36 different Special Topics. More information, including Session descriptions, credit information, housing/ meal plans, and registration forms are available on the **Edufest** website, www.edufest.org.

Edufest is a gifted and talented conference affiliated with CEC-TAG (Council for Exceptional Children) and ITAG (Idaho Talented/Gifted Association).