

Parents, Please Join Us

Cultivating Creativity In Gifted Students

With Rebekah West Keur



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PVSchools District Administrative Center - Governing Board Room

Creative thinking is an essential skill for our gifted learners to develop to reach their full creative potential as adults. Creativity is demonstrated in the way one solves problems, makes a connection to stimuli and the world around them, and then communicates these connections to others. Creativity can connect students to content and increase their ability to synthesize, deepening & extending their learning. It is important that we cultivate creativity in our gifted students. This presentation will focus on the importance of creativity in the lives of our gifted students and will address some ways in which we can foster and cultivate their growth.

Rebekah A. West Keur is a Middle School Gifted Specialist for the Paradise Valley Unified School District teaching in the DLC program. The DLC program is a semi-self contained gifted program at Sunrise Middle School. She is also an Adjunct Professor with Maricopa Community Colleges. Rebekah is an accomplished educator and teacher leader in gifted education, elementary, middle school, high school, and college education with an emphasis in humanities, Gifted Education, and professional development. She has been working in the field of gifted education for the past nine years in elementary school through college programs in title I, suburban, national, and international settings including working with John's Hopkins CTY program.

Rebekah has a M.Ed in Curriculum and Instruction with a concentration in Gifted Education from Arizona State University. She had also studied in English masters programs at ASU and Oxford. She has earned multiple degrees from Grand Valley State University including Curriculum and Instruction, English, and Theater. She is a National Board Candidate for the 2019/2020 academic year and is currently working on her doctorate in leadership.

Rebekah recently presented at the state Arizona Association for Gifted and Talented (AAGT) parent conference and will be presenting at the the National Association for Gifted Children (NAGC) national gifted conference this year.

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