# Parent Involvement

## **Greenfield-Central Community School Corporation**

Gift / Talented Education Unit Indiana Department of Education

#### Resources

**Indiana Department of Education Resources and Publications** http://www.doe.in.gov/highability/resources-and-publications

**Indiana Association for the Gifted (IAG)** P.O. Box 84 Whitestown, Indiana 46075 www.iag-online.org

**National Association for Gifted Children** 1331 H Street NW, Suite 1001 Washington, DC 20005 www.nagc.org

SENG - Supporting the Emotional Needs of the Gifted P.O. Box 488 Poughquag, NY 12570 http://www.sengifted.org/

Northwestern University Midwest Academic Talent Search **617 Dartmouth Place** Evanston, IL 60208 www.ctd.northwestern.edu

## Indiana Programs

**Destination ImagiNation** 888-321-1503 www.destinationimagination.org

**Indiana Academy** 

Residential Math/Science 765-285-8108 www.bsu.edu/academy/

**Purdue University Gifted Education Resource Institute** 

Family and career counseling Super Saturday - Summer Residential 317-494-7243 www.geri.education.purdue.edu

**Ball State University Center for Gifted Studies and Talent Development** 

Psychological assessments 765-285-5390 cms.bsu.edu/academics/centersandinstitutes/giftedstudies

### Home

- Involve your child in challenging activities.
- Take your child to libraries, museums, science centers, theatres, plays, and concerts.
- Read and discuss books.
- Support your child in the area of art, music, dance, or drama.
- Search for information on the Internet.
- Provide a comfortable study area for your child.
- Purchase books and computer programs that will challenge your child.
- Encourage your child to experiment and invent.
- Provide art materials for projects.
- Listen to your child.
- Play word and strategy games at home and in the car.
- Hike to a nearby area with water or trees and talk about the plants, insects, birds, and animals that you see.

#### School

- Volunteer to organize noon interest groups or reading seminars.
- Coach a Future Problem Solving team.
- Assist with an Odyssey of the Mind team, which involves drama, inventing, and creative thinking.
- Set up or judge the local science fair, media fair, or invention convention.
- Establish a Publishing Center at your school. Help type and bind books.
- Volunteer to be a resource person for the class. Everyone has something to contribute.
- Share your pictures and experiences from foreign countries.
- Be a teacher friend and assist students with individualized projects.
- Be a member of a parent support group.
- Organize a school or class talent show.
- Write a feature for the school newsletter listing cultural events and field trips for families.

## District, State, and Nation

- Offer to be a member of your local Broad-based Planning Committee (BBPC).
- Write letters or talk to legislators in support of gifted education.
- Form a phone tree to alert other parents about legislative issues involving gifted education.
- Join the Indiana Association for the Gifted (IAG).
- Attend parent sessions at the State Gifted Conference.
- Attend sessions to gain more information about gifted education at your school, at state meetings, or through distance learning.
- Help with grant writing to obtain additional funding.
- Write articles for the local newspaper about the positive achievements of students or teachers.