



Motivating to Enhance Executive Function in Gifted Children

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1:00-2:30 PM

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Coffee and dessert will be served

Free and open to the public

Some gifted children struggle because of issues related to executive function: Executive function is the brain's "air traffic control" system, which helps people set goals, stay focused, and switch between tasks. These smart kids therefore can be prone to impulsiveness, disorganization, overexcitability, anxiety and perfectionism. They may also have poor writing skills or be reluctant to write. This presentation offers specific, practical motivational strategies to address the most common executive function difficulties, based on a concept called Educational Therapy. Educational Therapy (ET) is not tutoring but a holistic, brain-based approach that encompasses the whole child, addressing emotional, social, and educational concerns. These strategies provide gifted children, and any child struggling with executive function issues, to express what they know and find success.

Teachers, family members, researchers, and anyone who works with or knows a gifted child or any child struggling with executive function deficits can benefit from this informative presentation.

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