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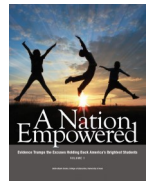
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November 5-6, 2015

### Powerful Keynotes

Thursday, November 5<sup>th</sup>

*A Nation Empowered: Evidence Trumps the Excuses  
Holding Back America's Brightest Students*  
With Dr. Ann Shoplik



Empower yourself with the Belin-Blank Center's watershed work which provides the latest research about academic acceleration, the most effective educational option for gifted students. *Dr. Shoplik will discuss* research-based practices for challenging academically talented students enabling educators to use the findings to make decisions for their brightest students.

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Friday, November 6<sup>th</sup>



*Differentiation for Gifted Learners:  
Going Beyond the Basics*

With Dr. Richard Cash

In today's instant-gratification world, many of our brightest students are learning to underachieve and underperform. Students lack the patience, perseverance and persistence to struggle through difficult or challenging work, especially at the secondary level. We can re-ignite the spirit and passion for learning of gifted/advanced students through appropriate differentiation techniques specifically designed to meet their needs. Join Dr. Richard M. Cash, an internationally recognized expert in the field of differentiation for gifted/advanced students as he guides you through the teaching and learning of the 21st century advanced learner.

# WORKSHOPS THAT WORK

Pittsburgh Marriott North, Cranberry Township, PA

## Thursday Workshops

### **The Intersection of STEM and Gifted Education with Dr. Charlton Wolfgang**

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) Education is an effective research-based and rapidly growing approach to equipping gifted children with the tools and skills needed to be successful in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. It is a philosophy grounded in the identification and solution of problems from a multifaceted and interdisciplinary perspective. In this session participants will gain an understanding of STEM principles, engage in hands-on and minds-on activities, and explore how STEM Education intersects with the needs of gifted learners.

### **Leadership and 21st Century Skills With John Lester**

How do 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills enhance K-12 gifted education? The four main skill areas include critical thinking & problem solving, communication, collaboration, and creativity & innovation. What is the relationship between 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills and leadership? How does leadership relate to other areas of gifted education? How can these skills easily be implemented in lessons & activities in the classroom and in gifted resource rooms? In this activity-oriented session participants preview and participate in numerous 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills based activities.

### **Writing Gifted Individualized Education Plans with Tanya Morret**

The focus for this session will be Present Levels of Educational Performance (PLEP) Development and Goal Writing. It is recommended that participants bring a recently completed, or in progress GIEP (along with a Gifted Written Report if evaluated within the last two years). Please make sure all personally identifiable information has been removed from the document.

### **RtU: Responses to Underachievement with Josh Shaine**

Explore different kinds of underachievers and different ways for schools (GT staff, teachers, administrators, counselors) to work with kids, families, and sometimes therapists to address underachievement within the gifted population.

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**Conference Registration- November 5-6**

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		Member	Non-Member	Member	Non-Member	
<b>All paid attendees will receive lunch and a copy of <i>A Nation Empowered, Vol. 1.</i></b>						
Thursday only - 3 hour workshop + PM sessions	\$75	\$140	\$185	\$180	\$225	
Friday only—Keynote + 1 hour sessions	\$75	\$140	\$185	\$180	\$225	
Thursday and Friday	\$150	\$250	\$330	\$320	\$410	

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Purchase Dr. Cash's book, <i>Differentiation for Gifted Learners: Going Beyond the Basics</i> Book will be provided at check-in at the conference <b>Add \$25</b>	

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**Workshop Selection for Thursday, November 5 AM** No pre-selection required for Thurs. PM or Fri.  
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8:30-11:30 AM - Dr. Charlton Wolfgang—Intersection of STEM and Gifted Education	
8:30-11:30 AM - Tanya Morret - Writing Gifted Individualized Education Plans	
8:30-11:30 AM - John Lester—Teaching Leadership and 21st Century Skills	
8:30-11:30 AM - Josh Shaine - RtU: Responses to Underachievement	

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