

ECS RESOURCES¹

ONLINE RESOURCES

Hoagies' Gifted Education Page

<http://www.hoagiesgifted.org/>

"Hoagies' Gifted Education Page is the comprehensive resource for education of gifted children, for parents, for teachers, for administrators and other educators, counselors and psychologists, and even for the gifted kids themselves. It's full of great information, with links to the most complete, easiest to use resources on nearly every aspect of gifted education available on the Internet, plus lots of annotations and first hand information provided by parents facing the same challenges that you are facing."

National Association on Gifted

www.nagc.org

The National Association for Gifted Children (NAGC) is an organization of parents, teachers, educators, other professionals, and community leaders who unite to address the unique needs of children and youth with demonstrated gifts and talents as well as those children who may be able to develop their talent potential with appropriate educational experiences.

We support and develop policies and practices that encourage and respond to the diverse expressions of gifts and talents in children and youth from all cultures, racial and ethnic backgrounds, and socioeconomic groups. NAGC supports and engages in research and development, staff development, advocacy, communication, and collaboration with other organizations and agencies who strive to improve the quality of education for all students.

Johns Hopkins University Center for Talents Youth (CTY)

www.cty.jhu.edu

Year round on line programs for children from preK-12th. And 3 weeks summer camps for children entering grade 3. Must do a "talent search" test in the spring of grade 2 year.

¹ This is a list put together by Runkle parents for use by other parents. All responsibility for the information and content is hereby and forever more DISCLAIMED. But suggestions are welcomed. Please contact the current Runkle parents liaisons to the town wide ECS committee; see PTO handbook or ask ECS support teacher for more information

Education Program Gifted Youth Stanford University

www.epgy.stanford.edu/overview/index.html

"The EPGY an ongoing research project at Stanford University dedicated to developing computer-based multimedia courses in Mathematics, Physics, English, Computer Programming and other subjects, and making these available to students of high ability."

DUKE University Talent Development Program (TIP)

<http://www.tip.duke.edu/node/232>

independent learning (online) as well on 3 weeks summer program on site. for kids grade 4-12.

Gifted Canada

<http://www3.telus.net/giftedcanada/>

"...aims to provide a forum for Canadian researchers, educators, organizations and families to share information concerning gifted education, research and resources across Canada"

British Mensa

http://www.mensa.org.uk/mensa/gifted_and_talented_support.html

"Young members of Mensa are entitled to the same membership benefits as adults - magazines and newsletters, special interest groups and social events. There are also some opportunities to interact with other young members at events such as the Annual Gathering, and young members are encouraged to participate in the newsletters created especially for them"

The Davidson Institute for Talent Development

www.davidsongifted.org

Services for profoundly gifted students.

GT World

www.gtworld.org

An on-line support community for parents of gifted and talented children.

LOCAL AFTER SCHOOL AND SUMMER PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES

Brown University

Providence, Rhode Island,

<http://www.brown.edu/ce/pre-college/spark/>

An hour drive or train ride away. They have a middle school summer science program for children entering 8th and 9th grades.

Check out website for applications and details.

They also have staff available to answer questions at (401) 863 7900.

Olin College

Needham, MA

<http://ediscovery.olin.edu/index.html>

They have programs for elementary schools that PTO or after school programs could arrange to bring to your school.

Check website for more information; general telephone number: 1 781 292 2300

MIT: Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)

Cambridge, MA

Many programs for school age children during the year and in the summer. Including the MIT museum.

Check out <http://web.mit.edu/k-12edu/list.html>. Each program has its own link and contact information. General telephone number: 1 617 253 1000

MIT Educational Studies Program

The MIT Educational Studies Program (ESP) is a student group at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology that recruits MIT students and community members to teach classes for high school and middle school students from the Boston area ...MIT undergraduates, graduate students, alumni, and community members who volunteer for ESP.

Weekend: Splash and Spark, which run in the late fall and early spring every year, each take place over a single weekend, with several hundred classes to choose from. Classes for Splash and Spark cover the widest range in styles and content, from high-level math lectures to chocolate tasting.

Semester: HSSP and Junction each run during a single term. Of these, HSSP casts the broadest net, with many lecture-style and hands-on academic classes as well as

discussion-based seminars and non-academic classes like knitting. Junction is a rigorous academic summer program with a limited number of high-quality classes with admission by application only.

Check out <http://esp.mit.edu/learn/index.html> for dates, times and program.

MUSEUMS

Harvard Museum of Natural History

www.hmnh.harvard.edu

Summer sessions for students entering grade 1-7. Topics include: Oceans, earth explorers, Nature's Designs, Megalodon, Smilodon, Pteranodon and Animal Naturalists. On going day and after school courses throughout the year.

Check website for dates, time and programs. Telephone: 1 617 495 3045

Museum of Science

www.mos.org

Summer Sessions for students entering grade 1-8. Topics include: chemistry, dinosaurs, video game creation, photography, robots, live animal internships, rockets, engineering, space.

On going programs through out the year geared for families and kids of all ages.

Check website for dates, times and programs. Telephone: 1 617 723 2500

Museum of Fine Arts

www.mfa.org

Summer Sessions Studio Art Classes" Journey through Art" for ages 5-6, 7-8 and 9-11. On going day, after school and weekend programs throughout the year.

Check website for dates, times and programs. Telephone: 1 617 267 9300

Institute for Contemporary Art, ICA

www.icaboston.org

School vacation week programs. Designed for parents and children. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays of vacation week. (not a drop off).

Family Days: one Saturday a month. Activities for families- may include films, performances, art making activities, gallery tours etc. based on the art/artist currently on display.

Various after school and weekend programs for teenagers.

Check website for dates, times and programs. Telephone: 1 617 478 3100

Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum

<http://www.gardnermuseum.org/>

School vacation week themes designed for families (not a drop off).
example Feb 2012 theme week was Royalty Discovery: royalty, nobility and the crown jewels! ...nearly life size portraits that show royal families dressed in formal attire;
Construct your own charms, armor and crowns inspired by the portraits in the Studio.
Free for kids under 18.

check website for dates, times and program. Telephone: 1 617 566 1401

Music/Arts

PALS

<http://www.palschildrenschorus.org/>

Performing Artists Lincoln School chorus, Andy Icochea Artistic Director, past director of the Vienna's Boys Choir) leads the nationally acclaimed singing chorus for children in the Brookline schools.

Check out website for details.

Brookline Music School

www.bmsmusic.org

"...seeks to awaken and nurture musical interest, appreciation, and artistic excellence in a friendly and stimulating atmosphere; to offer a high standard of comprehensive music instruction..."

Check website for more information. Telephone: 1 617 277 4593

Brookline Music School Camp

www.bmsmusic.org

Camp offered by music school.

Theatres Massachusetts

<http://www.masshome.com/theater.html>

This link has a listing of most theaters (293 theaters) in Massachusetts and provide opportunities to perform as well as enjoy a show.

Some more local to Brookline :

Footlight Club, Jamaica Plain www.footlight.org/
Freelance Players, Brookline www.freelanceplayers.org
Art Barn Community Theatre www.artbarn.org
Wellesley Players <http://www.wellesleyplayers.org/>
Wheelock Family Theatre <http://www.wheelockfamilytheatre.org/>
Boston's Children's Theatre <http://bostonchildrenstheatre.org/>
Concord Youth Theatre <http://concordyouththeatre.org/>
Needham Community Theatre <http://www.needhamtheatre.org/>
New Repertory Theatre, Watertown <http://www.newrep.org/>

Brookline Public Library

<http://www.brooklinelibrary.org/kids>

They have lots of activities for children, such as reading groups and visits from authors.

Check out website or (617) 730 2370 for details.

Boston Public Library

<http://www.bpl.org/central/childrens.html>

They also have children's activities, including online magazines and reading resources.

Check out website or call (617)-859-2328

MATH

Math Circle at Harvard Science Center

<http://www.themathcircle.org/courses.php>

"designed for students who enjoy math and want the added challenge of exciting topics that are normally outside the school curriculum"

Summer sessions for children ages 5-17.

Ongoing after school and weekend programs for children ages 5-17.

Check out website for dates, times and programs.

Studio of Engaging Learning

Corey Road Brookline

Combines Russian, European and American logical and thinking developmental programs. For children in kindergarten through grade 8,

Check out <http://www.engagingmath.com/> for dates, times and programs.

OTHER PROGRAMS

The Mass Audubon Society

www.massaudubon.org

Summer camps and ongoing activities at many of their sites in the Greater Boston area and throughout Massachusetts.

The activities may include green technology, nature studies, and observations.

Check out <http://www.massaudubon.org/EcoKids/index.php>,

Specific camps are listed here: <http://www.massaudubon.org/Camps>.

Telephone: 617 523 8448

Mazemakers Camp

Meadowbrook School Weston Ma

www.mazemakers.com

Summer Sessions for children entering grades 2-8. Topics include: Art, Digital Photography, Science, Architecture, Digital Music, Video, Athletics, and Drama. Web design, Creative Writing, Mazmatics, Mazeblazers, Computers, Robotics and Dance

Check out <http://www.mazemakers.com/courses.html> for date, times and programs.

Telephone: 1 781 314 9230

Explo Camps

<http://explo.org/>

These are enrichment camps in three locations for different grades. The camp for grades 4-7 is in Southborough, Massachusetts, 26 miles outside of Boston.

Check out website or (781) 762 7400 for details

Axiom Learning

www.axiomlearning.com

"Axiom Learning is dedicated to providing students and families with the most customized learning in the industry"

25 Mt. Auburn St

Cambridge MA 01238

800-988-5010

617-492-4444

info@axiomlearning.com

College Gate Summer (K-3)

College Academy Summer (4-8)

For more then 30 years have been offering summer academic-enrichment programs at several Boston area locations. (Easton. Maynard, Winchester)

check out <http://www.collegegate.com/> for dates, times and programs.

SIG- Summer Institute for the Gifted at BU Academy.

<http://www.bu.edu/academy/summerprograms/sig/>

Summer sessions "to provide high-level instruction for high-achieving students ... with 30 courses and recreational activities for gifted students in kindergarten through eighth grade.

Check out website for more information. Telephone: 1 866 303 4744

Science from Scientists

<http://sciencefromscientists.org/>

"Science from Scientists is a Boston-based non-profit that strives to improve science and technology awareness in local middle school and late elementary students; our materials target 4th–8th grade students"

Check out website for details. Telephone: 1 617 314 7773

OTHER MASSACHUSETTS RESOURCES

Massachusetts Department of Education

www.doe.mass.edu

The Department's initiatives for serving PreK-12 students who show evidence of high achievement capability include the Gifted and Talented Advisory Council grants, Advanced Placement grants, and the Koplik Certificate of Mastery.

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Massachusetts Association for Gifted Education

www.massgifted.org

"Advocating for the appropriate education of the gifted and talented of Massachusetts"

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Massachusetts Academy of Math and Science
www.massacademy.org

Mass Academy is a public, co-educational school of excellence program which enrolls about 100 academically accelerated 11th and 12th graders. We emphasize math and science within a comprehensive, interactive academic program.

85 Prescott Street
Worcester MA 01605
(508) 831-5859

G.A.T.E.S Research and Evaluation
<http://www.gates-edu.com/>

Works with school systems to create individual education programs for ECS children. Also works with families in assessments, counseling, individual enrichment programs, mentoring and peer-matching

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Clark School
Danvers MA
www.clarkschool.com

"Offers a stimulating multi-age learning environment for children in kindergarten through High School...particularly appropriate for children who demonstrate high intellectual, creative or leadership abilities"

The Sage School
Foxboro MA
www.sageschool.org

"... students are challenged to strive, allowed to stumble, and guided to realize their full potential. A leader in the field of gifted education, The Sage School offers an academic

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program rooted in rich content, depth of study, intellectual rigor, and skills acquisition. Ultimately, with a balanced approach to life and learning, Sage students confidently apply their gifts, creativity, and curiosity to the world beyond Sage"