



Virtual Teacher Academy 2026

Monday, February 23rd

Session	Live Sessions	Recorded Sessions
8:30am	<p>Keynote Session: Stephanie Higgs (aka Little Miss Gifted) Coloring Outside the Lines</p>	<p>Colleen Boyle Using Data to Identify Dyslexia Risk in Gifted Education</p>
9:30am	<p>Deborah Romick The Zombie Apocalypse - OR Using P(r)BL & PBL to Challenge Gifted Learners</p>	<p>Garnett Andrews Rigor and Response: Differentiation in the AP Classroom</p>
10:30am	<p>Stephanie Goodman & Lauren Noble Beyond the Post: Using Online Discussion Boards to Build Communities of Writers</p>	<p>Eu-Det Crawford Strategic Grouping for Gifted Learners: Using Data to Drive Instructional Decisions</p>
11:30am	LUNCH BREAK	LUNCH BREAK
12:30pm	<p>Keynote Session: Carrie Simpson Transformational Giftedness</p>	<p>ODEW Session Michael Demczyk, Maria Lohr, Kerry Martinez Leveraging Ohio's Integrated MTSS Framework to Support Gifted Learners</p>
1:30pm	<p>Breakout Session: Carrie Simpson Triarchic Theory of Intelligence</p>	<p>Todd Stanley Using Above Grade Level Strategies to Challenge Students</p>
2:30pm	<p>Aimee Ashcraft Ignite and Innovate: PBL Strategies that Lift Learning for Gifted Learners</p>	<p>Colleen Herking & Emily James Weaving in Depth: Gifted Strategies to Elevate Core Literacy</p>
3:30pm	<p>ODEW Session Michael Demczyk & Maria Lohr Exploring Ohio's Draft Plan for Gifted Education</p>	<p>Todd Stanley Putting the Independence in Independent Study</p>



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Tuesday, February 24th

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8:30am	<p>Keynote Session: Stephanie Higgs (aka Little Miss Gifted) Bloom Where You're Wired</p>	<p>Colleen Boyle Differentiated Supports for Gifted Learners in Honors and AP Classes</p>
9:30am	<p>Alison Price Depth and Complexity Meets AI: Rethinking Gifted Inquiry</p>	<p>Sarah Waechter Creativity and Innovation</p>
10:30am	<p>Leslie Charles Beyond Words: AI Vocabulary Visualization, Close Reading, & Student Creativity</p>	<p>Todd Stanley Inquiring Minds Want to Know</p>
11:30am	LUNCH BREAK	LUNCH BREAK
12:30pm	<p>Keynote Session: Carrie Simpson Twice-exceptional Learners</p>	<p>ODEW Session Michael Demczyk & Andrea DiFrancesco Strengths-Based Instruction for Twice Exceptional Learners</p>
1:30pm	<p>Breakout Session: Carrie Simpson Reflection in Practice</p>	<p>Traci Ehrick Game on! Using Games to Inspire Critical Thinking and Analysis</p>
2:30pm	<p>Brittany Webb & Beth Wilson-Fish Potential First: A Talent Development Approach to Early Gifted Identification</p>	<p>Colleen Herking & Maggie Perkins Gemini GEMS: AI Tools for Differentiated Math Instruction</p>
3:30pm	<p>Abigael Allen Johnson & Alia Pineda Medina Misbehavior or Mismatch? Classroom Management with Gifted Learners</p>	<p>Todd Stanley Keeping Bright Students On Their Toes Through Novelty</p>