Parent Resources

Online Resources – Provided by GT Parent Groups in RISD (SAGE Gifted Committee and Richardson Gifted)

Texas Performance Standards Project (TPSP)

http://www.texaspsp.org/

The Texas Performance Standards Project offers learning experiences and research projects for teachers to adapt and use with G/T students. Projects are available for K-12 and are based on the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS).

Equity in Gifted/Talented (G/T) Education (Texas Education Agency)

http://www.gtequity.org/

Through the Equity in Gifted/Talented Education site, the TEA offers information about diverse populations of gifted and talented students, including students who are twice-exceptional (gifted plus other special needs), bilingual and culturally diverse, and socioeconomically diverse.

Mensa for Kids

http://www.mensaforkids.org/

Mensa for Kids is a free online resource for gifted kids and their families. It offers links to research, TED talks, lesson plans, games, and more.

Hoagies' Gifted Education Page

http://www.hoagiesgifted.org/

Created by a parent of gifted children, the Hoagies' website links to a wide range of articles, resources, and organizations dedicated to helping gifted learners.

2e (Twice-Exceptional) News

https://www.2enews.com/

The 2e (Twice-Exceptional) News website offers articles and a newsletter for families of children who are twice-exceptional (gifted with a disability). GT parent groups in our area wish to note that the definition of "twice-exceptional" used by some organizations may encompass populations beyond GT-identified populations in Texas districts.

NuMinds Enrichment - Parent Workshops

https://www.facebook.com/NuMindsEnrichment/

In additional to local enrichment and professional development opportunities, NuMinds Enrichment offers free YouTube videos for parents about gifted characteristics and meeting gifted needs (linked through their Facebook feed).

Byrdseed

http://www.byrdseed.com/

Through Byrdseed.com, a gifted education teacher offers articles and videos about differentiating lessons, teaching across content areas, and appreciating gifted kids' unique social and emotional needs.

MIT OpenCourseWare – Massachusetts Institute of Technology

http://ocw.mit.edu/index.htm

MIT OpenCourseWare (OCW) is a web-based publication of virtually all MIT course content. OCW is open and available to the world and is a permanent MIT activity.

Khan Academy

https://www.khanacademy.org/parent

Khan Academy offers practice exercises and instructional videos allowing learners to study at their own pace, both in and outside of the classroom. Parents can sign up for parent and student accounts.

GT Chat, Powered by TAGT

https://www.txgifted.org/gtchat

For Twitter users, GT Chat offers a weekly chance to learn and ask questions about GT research and needs.

Gifted Development Center (GDC)

http://www.gifteddevelopment.com/

The website of the Gifted Development Center offers information and resources about giftedness and the research of the GDC. Articles include discussion of twice-exceptional (gifted + disability) and highly to profoundly gifted learners.

Resources for the Highly to Profoundly Gifted

Texas parents of children with extreme ability needs may find assistance through the Davidson Young Scholars program (<u>https://www.davidsongifted.org/Young-Scholars</u>) or Texas Parents of the Profoundly Gifted (<u>http://www.tppg.org/</u>).

Facebook Pages

A number of Facebook groups and pages provide parent networking opportunities and news about gifted education. Parents may find the following helpful:

https://www.facebook.com/RichardsonGifted (Richardson Gifted Parent Network – Page) https://www.facebook.com/groups/202705029768438/ (Richardson Gifted – closed parent group for members only) https://www.facebook.com/RISDPTACouncilSAGE/ (RISD Council of PTAs SAGE Committee – news) https://www.facebook.com/groups/sageptarisd/ (RISD Council of PTAs SAGE Committee – resource group) https://www.facebook.com/texasgifted (Texas Association for the Gifted and Talented) https://www.facebook.com/HoagiesGifted (Hoagies' Gifted Education Page) https://www.facebook.com/SupportingGiftedLearners (Supporting Gifted Learners)