



2018 ITAG Conference

Parent Night:

Boredom and Creativity in the Gifted Child

Monday, October 15, 2018, 6:30-8:30 pm
Airport Holiday Inn, 6111 Fleur Dr., Des Moines, IA

OPEN INVITATION TO ATTEND: Although the presentation will be directed toward parents, anyone interested is invited to attend this free event.

AGENDA:

6:30 pm Welcome. What's new in Iowa Talented and Gifted

7:00 pm Keynote speaker. **Kristofor Wiley, Ph.D.**

Boredom is a common complaint in gifted students, and it is often difficult to know how to respond. Claims of boredom can reflect frustration, anxiety, and a variety of other emotions – even hunger! Importantly, feeling bored may also be a significant predictor of creative productivity. The information presented in this session is drawn from two years of research with several hundred students, incorporating student surveys, responses on the Boredom Proneness Scale, and interviews, to develop an understanding of what students may mean when they claim to be bored. We'll be discussing strategies deployed by students and their effectiveness, as well as the potential value of strategically allowing boredom to exist. You will leave with greater understanding and a few strategies of your own to use with your child or student.



8:00 pm Q & A Parent Panel and Ice Cream Social

REGISTRATION: Parent night is a free event; however, registration is encouraged to assist in planning. Visit the ITAG website to register for parent night and to learn more about the special parent rate of \$135.00 to attend the full 2018 ITAG Annual Conference, Monday, October 15-Tuesday, October 16. (Monday only and Tuesday only rate is \$90 per day.) <http://www.iowatag.org/> or <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/parent-night-at-the-2018-itag-conference-tickets-48813952847>