

AAGC 2023 Conference Schedule at a Glance
Wednesday, October 11, 2023

- 7:30 - 8:30** **Registration (Marriott Lobby)**
8:30 - 11:00` **Workshops**
11:00 - 12:30 **Lunch on your own / Network with colleagues / Visit vendors**
12:30 - 3:00 **Workshops**
4:30 - 5:30 **Creativity Night (Birmingham Ballroom)**

Workshops: 8:30 – 3:00		
A. So, You are a New Gifted Specialist, Now What? (ALL DAY)	Amy Waine	Jefferson
MORNING Sessions: 8:30-11:00 am		
B. Curriculum Matters: Boost Student Learning with High-quality CBC Units	Dr. Patti Wood	Ballroom 5 & 6
C. Gifted Trekking into the Future: Exploring AI-nnovation with Your Students	Dr. Shirley Farrell	Ballroom 3
D. What's New in Neuroscience?	Sherri Spears	Homewood
E. Put a Little Zen in Your Life... Zentangle for Beginners!	Debbie Dumais	Ballroom 4
F. Continued Commitment Through Consultation	Ashley Strickland, Emily Hurst, & Traci Ingleright	Ballroom 1 & 2
AFTERNOON Sessions: 12:30-3:00 pm		
G. Curriculum Matters: Boost Student Learning with High-quality CBC Units	Dr. Patti Wood	Ballroom 5 & 6
H. Gifted Trekking into the Future: Exploring AI-nnovation with Your Students	Dr. Shirley Farrell	Ballroom 3
I. Dopamine: The Chemical Ruler of the Human Race	Sherri Spears	Homewood
J. Put a Little MORE Zen in Your Life... New Advanced Zentangle!	Debbie Dumais	Ballroom 4
K. ALSDE Gifted Updates	Emily Hurst & Ashley Strickland	Ballroom 1 & 2

Thursday, October 12, 2023

- 7:30 - 8:15** **Registration (Marriott Lobby)**
8:15 – 8:50 **Welcome and Awards: Dr. Kim Stephenson, AAGC President (Birmingham Ballroom)**
8:50 - 9:10 **Special Guest: Rep. Terri Collins**
9:15 - 10:15 **Keynote: Dr. Emily Mofield (Birmingham Ballroom)**

Breakout Sessions: 10:30 – 11:15 am		
(Session descriptions can be found in the app)		
Vertical Differentiation: Strategies to Stretch Student Thinking	Dr. Emily Mofield	Ballroom 3 & 4
Lit, Camera, Action: Reader's Theater	Kimberly Green	Ballroom 1 & 2
Expanding Horizons: Integrating Information about Cognitive, Social, and Emotional Skills to Plan Advanced Learning Programs	Joni Lakin & Adam Laningham	Ballroom 5 & 6
Engaging Learners with Fun Critical Thinking Activities	Laura Sergeant	Jefferson
Inspire Student Creation with Resources from Alabama Public Television and PBS LearningMedia	Tracey Carter	Inverness
Gifted Tricks: PBLs, Thinking Skills, Deductive Reasoning, and More!	Ben Bache	Vestavia
Enhancing Consultative Services for Gifted Students	Emily Hurst & Ashley Strickland	Homewood
JUST SOLVE IT: How Civic Kidpreneurs Solve Real World Problems	Rebecca Campbell & Jane Newman	Cahaba
Let's Play! Computational Thinking with Little to No Tech Involved	Rachel Gibbs	Mountain Brook

- 11:15-12:30** **Buffet Lunch on site/Visit with vendors/Network with colleagues**
12:30 -12:45 **AAGC Business Meeting (Birmingham Ballroom)**
12:45 - 12:55 **University Pictures**

Breakout Sessions: 1:00 – 1:45 pm		
Collaboration and Coaching in Gifted Education: Keys to Success	Dr. Emily Mofield	Ballroom 3 & 4
Developing Higher-order Thinking Skills in Young Learners	Rebekah Harris	Ballroom 1 & 2
25 New Books Worth Your Time	Jason Mayfield	Ballroom 5 & 6
Stock Market Game: Virtual Learning, Real Results	Wanda McAbee	Jefferson
A Menu of Differentiation Options	Correen Long	Inverness
From Sharks to Tycoons: BizWorld Economics	Wendy Tibbs & Ashley Herron	Vestavia
Cultivating a Mindset Ready to Learn with Keva Planks	Misty Trussell, Angela Kennedy, & Brittany Watts	Homewood
Whole-grade Acceleration: A Teacher's Tale of Successful Whole-grade Acceleration with a Twice Exceptional Student	Keller Monet L. Davis	Cahaba
Voltage and Current: Using Potato Power to Explore the Difference	Laurie Campbell	Mountain Brook
Gifted & Struggling: Twice Exceptional Children-What Our Teachers Need to Know	Adam Laningham	Greystone

Breakout Sessions: 2:00 – 2:45 pm		
How to Integrate Artificial Intelligence (AI) into the Gifted Classroom	Shirley Farrell, Emily Hurst, & Kim Stephenson	Ballroom 3 & 4
Creating Champions for Gifted Learners	Amy Waive & Kelly Lomax	Ballroom 1 & 2
"I didn't even know that existed!"—Encyclopedia of Alabama	Laura N. Hill	Ballroom 5 & 6
Let's DIVE-in to Engineering	Susan Arnette & Alexis Harry	Jefferson
Chess in the Classroom	Mindee Allen & Joy Yates	Inverness
More Gifted Tricks: Escape Rooms, Forensic Scenes, and Socratic Circles!	Ben Bache	Vestavia
STEM Made Easy! How to Use Literature to Teach Culture, Real World Problems, and Engage Students with Creative Problem Solving Lessons	Amy Martin	Homewood
Drones and Robots in the Gifted Classroom	Lara McClendon & Lannette Lackey	Cahaba
Computational Thinking for Coding without a Computer: Programming Unplugged	Laurie Campbell	Mountain Brook
Writing is Sometimes Hard for Me: Supporting Gifted Learners in Writing	Adam Laningham	Greystone

- 3:00 - 3:15** **Door Prizes (Birmingham Ballroom)**
4:00 – 5:30 **Trivia Night with Dr. Brian Housand: "Inside Brian's Brain" Team Trivia (Birmingham Ballroom)**
6:00-7:00 **Parent Night (Zoom)**

Friday, October 13, 2023

- 7:30 - 8:15** **Registration/Morning Coffee and Snacks/Visit Vendors**
8:15 - 9:00 **Welcome and Awards: Dr. Kim Stephenson, AAGC President (Birmingham Ballroom)**
9:15 - 10:15 **Keynote: Dr. Brian Housand (Birmingham Ballroom)**
10:30 - 11:30 **Special Session by Dr. Brian Housand: "Welcoming Our Robot Overlords—ChatGPT, Midjourney, and the Ever-Evolving World of AI"**
11:30 – 1:00 **Conference Culmination: Door Prizes/Network with colleagues**