

Breakout Sessions

Ideas Ideas Everywhere!

STREAM through critical thinking and problem solving with easy, fun ways to challenge students. This session will explore lots of hands-on, engaging lessons that can fit a variety of standards and grade levels.

STEAMing Up Your Classroom

This fast-paced presentation will consist of twenty activities running the gamut from science experiments to engineering feats. Handouts will consist of detailed lesson plans with examples.

Tiny Robots, BIG Outcomes: Coding in the Gifted Classroom

In this hands-on session, participants will use tiny robots (Ozobots) to gain BIG outcomes in their gifted classrooms. Participants will explore ways to combine coding skills with thinking skills, communication skills, creativity, and more. Whether you are a new to coding or a seasoned veteran, this session is for you!

The Gift of Music: Using Music Standards to Teach Gifted Standards

Participants will participate in a variety of music activities including solving/creating puzzles and playing games that can be used to teach gifted standards. While geared primarily for those who teach grades 2-5, teachers of older students are welcome and may find ways to adapt the activities to meet their needs.

Our Day in QUEST

Come take a walk through our typical day in QUEST. The process for establishing our structure and plans for the year will also be discussed. Consider this session a virtual peer to peer observation where resources, challenges, and successes will be shared.

Alexa, Help Me Challenge My Students!

Going on a GooseChase trying to find more ways to incorporate technology in an effective way? Come let Alexa and I help you through this tired time of the year with some new fresh ideas all while incorporating technology.

Pump Up the Problem Solving

Puzzles and games provide an excellent way to increase problem-solving, communication, and collaboration. Work through puzzles and games adaptable for your classroom and find out about opportunities to partner with the Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science.

Creativity & Exploring the Artistic Process

Supporting artistically gifted students and the innovative skills needed for work and life, educators have an opportunity to engage in an exchange of ideas that support critical and creative thinking, collaboration, and problem-solving. Hands-on Visual Arts Experience.

Let It Gogh!

In this session, you will be learning more about Vincent Van Gogh. We will be using the gifted outcomes as our guide to explore the life and works of Vincent Van Gogh. We will also make connections to academic standards as well. So join me on a journey as we travel with the Sunflower Man and let it Gogh!

Let Them Lead

How can students sharpen leadership skills? They must lead! This session will share strategies for teaching leadership and providing leadership opportunities to gifted students.