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## **SPEAKERS & PANELISTS** **2011- 2014**

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**Esther Kogan, EdD** (Speyer Legacy School)  
**Carolyn Kottmeyer** (HOAGIES)  
**Joy Lawson Davis, EdD** (professor at Virginia Union U)  
**Harold Levy** (former NYC Schools Chancellor)  
**Nathan Levy** (NJAGC & Nathan Levy Books)  
**Olga Livanis, EdD** (NEST+M)  
**Ying Lu, PhD** (NYU Steinhardt)  
**Susan Luger** (SL Associates)  
**Kim Magliore** (SciTech Kids)  
**Michael McCurdy** (TestingMom.com)  
**Fred McIntosh, JD** (Prep for Prep)  
**Eric Messinger** (New York Family Magazine)  
**Douglas Morse** (parent at NEST+M)

**Sandra Noreen** (Kaufman Music Center)  
**Julia Osborn, PhD** (psychologist, private practice)  
**Alexandra Patz**  
**Kristen Pallonetti** (Tribeca Community School)  
**Elizabeth Perelstein** (School Choice International)  
**Heather Pinedo-Burns** (Hollingworth at Teachers College, Columbia University)  
**Karen Quinn** (TestingMom.com)  
**Irina Roller, JD** (SL Associates)  
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**Mark Saul, PhD** (Center for Mathematical Talent at NYU Courant Institute)  
**Milo Scekic** (Speyer Legacy)  
**Susan Schwartz** (Child Mind Institute)  
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**Jason Singer** (Gobstopper)  
**Kathleen Slocum** (parent at TAG Young Scholars)  
**Nancy Slotnick** (parent at Speyer Legacy)  
**Razel Solow, PhD** (Hunter College Gifted Studies)  
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**Frances Stern** (Talk About Math)  
**Chantal Stevens** (A Better Chance)  
**Rena Subotnik, PhD** (The Center for Psychology in the Schools and Education at the American Psychological Association)  
**Joyce Szufliita** (NYC School Help)  
**Donna Taylor** (BSI)  
**Stephanie Thacker** (parent at NEST + M)  
**Donna Vaupel** (NJAGC)  
**Pooja Vekaria, PhD** (NYU Child Study)  
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## G&T PROCESS, TESTING & ADMISSIONS

**The NYC Gifted & Talented Process: An Insiders Guide to Admissions & Testing for Public & Private Schools** with Michael McCurdy & Karen Quinn (TestingMom.com)

**Finding The Right Fit for Your Child: School Models**, a panel moderated by Elizabeth Perelstein (School Choice International), with Esther Kogan, EdD (Speyer Legacy), Janette Cesar (TAG), Jane Foley Fried (Brearley School), Ann Gordon Chang (PS85) and Olga Livanis, EdD (NEST+M)

**Admissions & Testing: Straight Talk** with Marion Blank, PhD (Reading Kingdom) and Janet Jackson, PhD (psychologist)

**The G&T Process, Testing & Admissions** with Robin Aronow, PhD (School Search NYC)

**The Right Fit: Parent Perspectives & Advocacy** a panel moderated by Elissa Brown, PhD

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**DIVE DEEPER... into the G&T Process** with the NYC Department of Education

**Gifted & Talented Speedsourcing Event** with Nancy Slotnick, (parent, MatchmakerCafe.com)

**Becoming Your Child's Advocate** with Alex Hindes (attorney) and Melissa Sornik (SENG, TECA)

## CULTURALLY DIVERSE LEARNERS

**Perspectives on Supporting High Potential, Culturally Diverse Youth in NYC**, a panel discussion moderated by Joy Lawson Davis, EdD (University of Louisiana Lafayette), Kim Magliore (SciTech Kids), Fred McIntosh, JD (Prep for Prep), Juan Carlos Gonzalez (Children's Aid Society), Chantal Stevens (A Better Chance) & Lorenley Baez (Oliver Scholars)

**Nurturing & Advocating for Culturally & Linguistically Diverse Gifted Learners** with Joy Lawson Davis, EdD



## **SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

**Understanding Uneven Development, Executive Function & Motivation** with Richard Gallagher, PhD (NYU Child Study Center)

**Self-Regulation & Anxiety** with Aleta Angelosante, PhD (NYU Child Study Center)

**Intro to Social & Emotional Needs** with Carolyn Kottmeyer (HOAGIES)

**Character Development, Peer Relationships and Bullying** with Sandra Clifton (Clifton Corner), Izzy Kalman (Bullies2Buddies), Lori Evans, PhD (NYU Child Study Center) and Connie Coulianos-Burton (Speyer Legacy School)

## **THE ARTS**

**The Power of Books & Film for Kids: Using Children's Literature & Movies to Help Kids Connect with Others, Explore Emotions and Understand Themselves** with Douglas Morse (parent at NEST +M)

**Supporting the Arts & 21st Century Skills** with Connie Coulianos-Burton (Speyer Legacy School), Sandra Noreen (Kaufman Music Center), Susan Hebach (American Tap Dance Foundation) and Mike Fischthal (Pixel Academy)

## **TWICE EXCEPTIONAL LEARNERS**

**Is My Child 2E? And What Does That Mean?** with Julia Osborn, PhD (psychologist)

**Education Options & Advocacy for Twice** moderated by Carolyn Kottmeyer (HOAGIES), with Susan Schwartz (Child Mind Institute), Micaela Bracamonte (Lang School), Pooja Vekaria, PhD (NYU Child Study), Susan Luger & Irina Roller, JD (Susan Luger Associates)  
**DIVE DEEPER... into 2E** with Dr. Julia Osborn, PhD (psychologist) & Micaela Bracamonte (Lang School)

## **EDUCATION TECHNOLOGIES**

**DIVE DEEPER... into Ed Tech-'30 Apps in 30 Minutes'** with Rhys Daunic (The Media Spot)

**EDUCATION TECHNOLOGY PANEL** moderated by Preeti Birla (Innovate NYC), Matt Gross (Newsela), Hui Soo Chae, EdD (EdLab at Teachers College, Columbia University), Jason Singer (Gobstopper) and Kevin Eagan (Tynker)

## **SUMMER SUPPORT**

**Preventing Summer Slide** with Nathan Levy (NJAGC), Frances Stern (Talk About...Math!), Milo Scekic and Alexandra Patz

## **PARENTING**

**Positive Discipline & Your Advanced Learner: Ending the Great Debate** with Nancy Samalin (Parent Guidance Workshops)  
**Parenting the Accelerated Learner** with Alina Adams (Examiner), Ranu Boppana, MD (psychiatrist, NYU), Connie

Coulianos-Burton (Speyer Legacy), Razel Solow, PhD (School-Wise)  
**Guiding Gifted Girls & Boys** with Razel Solow, PhD (Hunter College, School-Wise) and Howard Fuchs, JD (Hunter)

## **COGNITIVE DEVELOPMENT**

**Practical Ideas for Improving Writing and Critical Thinking** with Nathan Levy (NJAGC)

**Intro to Differentiating** with Matthew Cruger, PhD (Child Mind Institute)

## **MATHEMATICAL THINKING**

**How to Talk to Children About Mathematics** with Robert Berkman (Better Living Through Mathematics)

**Teaching Children to Think Mathematically** with Mark Saul, PhD and Sian Zelbo, JD (Center for Mathematical Talent at NYU Courant Institute)

**DIVE DEEPER... into Math** with Frances Stern (Talk About...Math!)  
**Beyond Flashcards: Meaningful Arithmetic** with Mark Saul, PhD & Sian Zelbo, JD (Center for Mathematical Talent at NYU Courant Institute)

## **MIDDLE SCHOOL TOPICS**

**Critical Issues for the NYC Middle Schooler** with Paul Deards (Speyer Legacy), Christine Karamangolou (Léman Manhattan), Joyce Szuflita (NYC School Help)

