

Gifted & Talented Teaching Endorsement

During the 2022-2023 school year, Jordan School District will offer coursework for a gifted and talented (GT) teaching endorsement in partnership with Southern Utah University.

How will a GT teaching endorsement benefit me?

- A GT endorsement will build a knowledge base about an important sector of education.
- A GT endorsement will help teachers build a repertoire of strategies to challenge **all** students by adding depth, complexity, higher-order thinking, and creativity to daily instruction.
- A GT endorsement will help teachers develop differentiation strategies to better meet the unique needs of high-ability learners in **all** classrooms.
- A GT endorsement will qualify educators to teach in an ALPS classroom and to hold other positions in gifted and talented programming.

What are the credit requirements for a GT endorsement?

- Four core classes are required for the Endorsement:
 - EDUC 5400 3 Credit Hours Learning, Development, and Individual Differences in Gifted Education
 - EDUC 5420 3 Credit Hours Assessment in Gifted Education
 - EDUC 5430 3 Credit Hours Curriculum and Instructional Planning in Gifted Education
 - EDUC 5440 3 Credit Hours Learning Environments for Gifted Students
- A “professional learning activity” is also required to earn the GT endorsement. Examples of this include participation in an additional class, webinar, or conference, specific to gifted and talented education. A wide variety of opportunities at local, state, or national levels will satisfy this requirement.

What are the current costs for a GT endorsement?

- SUU Recording Fees: \$23 per credit hour / \$69 per 3-hour core class.
- Books are available for checkout from the Gifted and Talented Department. Participants can also purchase personal copies of books if they choose (approximately \$50 per class).

What format will be used for instruction? When and where will the classes be held?

- Jordan School District instructors will provide classes in a combination of live and asynchronous instruction.
- Some sessions will be in-person and some over zoom.
- Asynchronous sessions may include practical classroom applications.
- Two courses will be offered during a school year.
 - See the 2022-2023 class schedule for details.

Are you interested in joining the 2022-2023 GT endorsement classes?

- Please attend one of the following information meetings:
 - Monday, June 6 10:00-10:30 a.m.
 - Monday, July 11 10:00-10:30 a.m.
 - Tuesday, August 9 10:00-10:30 a.m.
 - Zoom link: <https://uetn-org.zoom.us/j/82781113291?pwd=Nzgwbn9oK2Q0MFVtNDNFInIA5ZlS7z09>
- Pre-Register for the 2022 Cohort on this Google Form.
 - https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfsvf8k00S3xddc48MYW7NWab12sRCU64-51DbcZv6taQDztg/viewform?usp=sf_link
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