The Institute for Educational Advancement is dedicated to the intellectual, creative, and personal growth of our nation’s gifted and high potential youth. Central to the mission of IEA is a commitment to the development of the whole child through engaging learning experiences that promote optimal challenge, mentorship and exploration of ideas.

**ACADEMY**
Year-round fun and challenging enrichment classes that promote exploration and application of knowledge. (Now offering select courses at Sierra Madre Elementary) **Grade Level:** K-8

**Spring Session:** January 28 – April 22, 2019  **Summer Session:** June - August, 2020 (Three Two-Week Sessions)

**Application Deadline:** Varies by session

**CAROLINE D. BRADLEY SCHOLARSHIP**
Four-year scholarship for highly-gifted middle school students to a high school program that fits each Scholar’s individual intellectual and personal needs. **Grade Level:** Current 7th graders

**Application Deadline:** April 7, 2020  **Final SAT Date:** March 14, 2020  **Final ACT Date:** April 4, 2020

**EXPLORE**
Hands-on experience and mentorship opportunities from distinguished professionals for gifted and advanced high school students. **Grade Level:** 9-11

**Sessions I:** June 15 - July 3, 2020  **Session II:** July 6 - July 24, 2020  **Session III:** TDB

**Application Deadline:** March 30, 2020

**LABS**
Monthly workshops that advance students’ intellectual curiosity and passion for STEM by exposing them to innovative research conducted by brilliant scientists in the field. **Grade Level:** 7-12

**YUNASA SUMMER CAMPS**
Award-winning residential summer camps teaching balance through fun outdoor activities and workshops led by nationally-recognized experts in gifted youth. **Ages:** 10-15 year-olds

**Yunasa (MI):** July 25 - August 1, 2020  **Yunasa West (CO):** June 6 - 13, 2020

**Application Deadline:** March 9, 2020

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Gifted Support Group Meetings  
2019-2020

As parents and educators, it can be difficult to understand how best to meet the complex needs of gifted children, not to mention how to stay sane along the way. Join the Institute for Educational Advancement as we explore the most imminent questions and issues surrounding gifted learners. These free monthly meetings are open to parents and educators of gifted children to provide support and community, a venue for shared discovery, and a space to exchange resources and ideas.

In order to provide an open forum for discussion, IEA’s Gifted Support Meetings are intended for adults only, unless otherwise noted. Speakers and topics are also subject to change. Thank you for understanding.

| Wednesday, September 4 | Parenting, the Self-Compassion Way | Speaker: Michelle Bodwell, LMFT, ATR-BC  
Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist and Board-Certified Art Therapist |
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| Tuesday, October 10    | Sensory Integration: What Is It and How It Impacts Development, Behavior, and Emotional Regulation | Speaker: Dr. Jamie Chaves, OTD, OTR/L, SWC  
Occupational Therapist, Center for Connection |
| Tuesday, October 22    | The Three Rules for Applying to College | Speaker: Dr. Steven Mercer, Ph.D  
Educational Consultant, Mercer Educational Consulting |
| Tuesday, November 19   | Co-regulation, Mentalization, and Other Tools for Helping Gifted Children with Emotional Regulation | Speaker: Dr. Vula Baliotis, Ph.D  
Licensed Psychologist |
| Tuesday, January 14    | Giftedness Identification and Programming | Speaker: Dr. Dave Palmer, Ph.D  
Licensed Educational Psychologist & Founder of Palmer Learning Assessment & Consultation |
| Tuesday, February 11   | 10 Tips for Parents from 20 Years of Practice | Speaker: Connie Wax, MSW, LCSW  
Counselor for the Gifted & Talented |
| Tuesday, March 3       | Cultivating Resilience and Connectedness in Gifted Children Through the Great Outdoors | Speaker: Betsy Jones  
President & Co-Founder, Institute for Educational Advancement |
| Tuesday, April 21      | TBD | Speaker: Ann Smith  
Executive Director, Gifted Support Center |
| Thursday, May 14       | TBD | Speaker: Lynne Azpeitia, LFMT  
Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist & Gifted Coach |