



#gtchat Jun 10, 2011 Noon



DeborahMersino RT @TxParentsPG: @rretzler @DeborahMersino #gtchat A good acceleration plan includes more than speeding up. Depth and Breadth are essential.

11:55 am



DeborahMersino @TxParentsPG Agree re Depth & Breadth! #gtchat

11:56 am



ljconrad Well, I see someone opened the doors early! #gtchat

11:57 am



DeborahMersino My tweets 4 next hour will be devoted to #gtchat. Pardon heavy stream; feel free 2 join in! Topic: Acceleration-Myths/Truths #gifted #gtchat

11:58 am



KTVee Yippee! #gtchat time! {Calling all #gifted ed teachers, parents, and classroom teachers interested in Acceleration!}

12:00 pm



DeborahMersino Welcome to #gtchat! Today's topic: Acceleration: Myths, Truths, and What You Really Need to Know. #gifted #gtchat

12:00 pm



DeborahMersino Please take a moment to introduce yourself, your role (parent, educator, blogger, advocate, counselor) & share where you reside! #gtchat

12:01 pm



MamaChicks RT @DeborahMersino: private school always best option. <= we found private schools cater to gifted, not exceptionally or profoundly #gtchat

12:01 pm



MamaChicks Mona, from Washington state, parent :) #gtchat

12:01 pm



Susannewith3 Susanne, w/4 kids, homeschooler in NC, the oldest 2 are accelarated in places, the 7 year old is an entire grade ahead plus some :) #gtchat

12:01 pm



DeborahMersino I'm Deborah Mersino, moderator of #gtchat, marketing communications consultant to gifted orgs/biz, wife/mom to 2 girls, living in CO #gtchat

12:02 pm



jofrei Hi Jo Freitag from Gifted Resources www.giftedresources.org in Melbourne Australia here - a wintry 2.00am Saturday #gtchat

12:02 pm

cybraryman1 Twitterbrarian now from Florida Æ Acceleration is finite, I think according to some laws of physics. Æ? #gtchat

12:02 pm



laughingatchaos Jen in CO. Mom to 2 2e boys. Writer/blogger/advocate. Good to be here.

12:02 pm #gtchat



ljconrad Hi from my 'home' in Pittsburgh! So happy it's summer vac! Advocate, blogger, and best of all - parent to 2 fantastic gifted kids! #gtchat

12:02 pm



DeborahMersino @MamaChicks - Welcome! Liked your comment regarding exceptionally/profoundly gifted. We'll circle back. :-) #gtchat

12:02 pm



KTvee Krissy, 3-6 gifted ed. teacher, currently enjoying summer vacay by the pool
12:02 pm #gtchat



DeborahMersino Welcome Pittsburgh, Florida, Colorado, Australia, North Carolina, Washington, Missouri!
12:03 pm #gtchat



DeborahMersino I have lots of resources to share!
12:03 pm #gtchat



Quest #gtchat Petra here - Ireland. Taking a break from dissertation writing to dip in and out. Love this topic.
12:04 pm



LisaDSB Lisa from Ont. Canada. I homeschool my gifted boys because both public school & private Montessori refused to accelerate.
12:04 pm #gtchat

tracyweinberg Tracy from TAGT in Texas. I strongly recommend "A Nation Deceived," available free online, to share with reluctant administrators.
12:04 pm #gtchat



DeborahMersino Guidelines for grade advancement of precocious children via @DavidsonGifted
12:04 pm <http://bit.ly/kqGQrP> #gtchat <=Will be citing from this a lot!

cybraryman1 @LisaDSB What was their justification to not accelerate? #gtchat
12:04 pm



DeborahMersino And welcome Canada and Ireland! Glad to have you both here!
12:05 pm #gtchat



DeborahMersino And Texas! #gtchat
12:05 pm



ljconrad RT @tracyweinberg I strongly recommend "A Nation Deceived," available free online, to share with reluctant administrators.
12:05 pm #gtchat



DeborahMersino NAGC Position Statement on Acceleration: <http://www.nagc.org/index.aspx?id=383> #gtchat
12:05 pm



Quest #gtchat oh yes - parent, board member and returning to homesch after 2 years 2nd level sch.
12:05 pm



LisaDSB RT @cybraryman1: What was their justification to not accelerate? ==>contrary to school policy. "Would cause social problems." #gtchat
12:05 pm



DeborahMersino RT @ljconrad RT @tracyweinberg I strongly recommend "A Nation Deceived," available free online, to share w/reluctant administrators.
12:06 pm #gtchat



KTvee @cybraryman1 @LisaDSB so many refuse due to a complete lack of understanding and an unwillingness to learn #gtchat
12:06 pm

tracyweinberg @DeborahMersino Yes, many Texans think we are a country, not a state!
12:06 pm #gtchat



Susannewith3 @LisaDSB because being Gifted in the wrong level is so socially easy? #gtchat
12:06 pm



DeborahMersino Loads of resources/articles on acceleration via @HoagiesGifted! <http://bit.ly/jtEwvf> #gtchat
12:06 pm



KTvee RT @ljconrad RT @tracyweinberg I strongly recommend "A Nation Deceived," available free online, to share w/reluctant administrators.
12:07 pm #gtchat

cybraryman1 @KTVEe @LisaDSB We have to educate them! #gtchat
12:07 pm



DeborahMersino Regarding reluctant administrators, the research cites that educators/admin. are the most resistant. Interesting. #gtchat
12:07 pm



jofrei Love the Iowa Acceleration Scales <http://www.accelerationinstitute.org/Resources/IAS.aspx> #gtchat
12:07 pm



DeborahMersino The Institute for Research and Policy on Acceleration (IRPA) via @BelinBlank <http://bit.ly/jYpx8P> #gtchat
12:08 pm

cybraryman1 A Nation Deceived: <http://tinyurl.com/4soteqf> #gtchat
12:08 pm



DeborahMersino @jofrei - TY! #gtchat
12:08 pm

tracyweinberg @KTVEe @cybraryman1 Yes, many admins refuse to accelerate based on personal anecdote, not on research, as in Nation Deceived. #gtchat
12:08 pm



KTVEe @LisaDSB yeah, social problems for the staff who need to make adjustments to meet kids needs. ugh. #gtchat
12:08 pm



laughingatchaos RT @cybraryman1: A Nation Deceived: <http://tinyurl.com/4soteqf> #gtchat
12:08 pm



MamaChicks RT @DeborahMersino: the research cites that educators/admin. are the most resistant. <= teachers would see the need, I'd think #gtchat
12:08 pm



LisaDSB RT @Susannewith3: ==> exactly! Despite evidence I produced, they couldn't get past social issue. #gtchat
12:08 pm



DeborahMersino @Susannewith3 - Yes, the reasons most cited suggest they mistakenly assume will harm child/teen socio-emotionally #gtchat
12:09 pm

GiftedHF #gtchat Good morning - hoping to pop in on the discussion, between fighting other fires...
12:09 pm



laughingatchaos @LisaDSB Yes, every part of the kid has to be gifted & perfect to accel, right? :/
12:09 pm #gtchat

GiftedHF #gtchat My thought on acceleration: The more 2e a child is, the harder *any* school setting will be.
12:09 pm



DeborahMersino "Grade advancement studies are almost uniformly supportive of the procedure (acceleration)" Feldhusen, Proctor, Black. #gtchat
12:10 pm



LisaDSB I think teachers would have been on board at Montessori, but admin stepped in and had a different view. #gtchat
12:10 pm



asynschlrshnd Joining late... Marlow, Asynchronous Scholars' Fund, in California #gtchat
12:10 pm



DeborahMersino @GiftedHF - Glad you're here! And yes, 2E issues complicate matters. #gtchat
12:10 pm



asynschlrshnd RT @DeborahMersino: NAGC Position Statement on Acceleration: <http://bit.ly/k12mwb> #gtchat #fb
12:10 pm



laughingatchaos @GiftedHF Amen to that! My sons will never be accel. DS10 is way too 2e, & the other is too shy. #gtchat
12:10 pm



jofrei Miraca Gross From the saddest sound to the D Major chord
12:10 pm <http://www.crgate.com/miraca.htm> #gtchat



MamaChicks realizing that accel helps behavior because of mental stim... what about supporting asynchrony? #gtchat
12:10 pm



DeborahMersino Welcome Marlow! #gtchat
12:10 pm



asynschlrfsnd RT @DeborahMersino: Guidelines for grade advancement of precocious children via @DavidsonGifted <http://bit.ly/kqGQrP> #gtchat #fb
12:10 pm



ljconrad Admins need to be swayed by the economics of acceleration! It doesn't cost them a thing & it gets the student out the door faster! #gtchat
12:10 pm



KTVee @laughingatchaos yeah, perceptions are insane - "Their writing is messy, they can't be gifted." Insanity. True story. #gtchat
12:10 pm



DeborahMersino Q1: How many of you have personal experience with acceleration (could include being denied like @LisaDSB)? #gtchat
12:11 pm



laughingatchaos @KTVee Oh, I believe it! And 2e just makes it even MORE fun! ::facepalm::
12:11 pm #gtchat



LisaDSB A 1-year skip wouldn't have been enough anyway, so I'm glad we HS. Just got CTY scores, & DS w/b getting A's if advanced 3 yrs. #gtchat
12:11 pm



DeborahMersino @KTVee - Or her feet are too small (via @HoagiesGifted)...another insane story! #gtchat
12:11 pm



asynschlrfsnd Q1 (Raises hand) #gtchat
12:12 pm



laughingatchaos Q1: No exp w/accel at all. Just know it wouldn't fly w/my boys. #gtchat
12:12 pm



MamaChicks Q1: our SD gifted program was only one-grade accel. Not enough for my kid.
12:12 pm #gtchat



DeborahMersino @LisaDSB - Wow. Good for you. #gtchat
12:12 pm

cybraryman1 Q1 My brother skipped a grade & graduated college at 19. I was slower & graduated at 20. #gtchat
12:12 pm



jofrei Q1 We began homeschooling because youngest was at Year 9 level by end of Year 3 for some some subjects #gtchat
12:13 pm



DeborahMersino Please note I'm NOT an expert. I'm simply citing what I've seen in research/heard at Gifted Development Center, etc. #gtchat
12:13 pm



asynschlrfsnd Ours: Doesn't cut straight with scissors. RT @KTVee: perceptions are insane - "Their writing is messy, they can't be gifted." #gtchat
12:13 pm



KTVee I have experience with accel working, and working well. We r currently developing accel policy in my district. #gtchat
12:13 pm



DeborahMersino @cybraryman1 - slower...at 20...lol. #gtchat

12:13 pm



Susannewith3 Q1: Since I homeschool I can 'call' the kids any grade, but my 7 year old is

12:13 pm globally a year ahead, and subject wise it depends #gtchat



MamaChicks RT @asynschlrshnd: Ours: Doesnt cut straight with scissors. <= I STILL don't

12:13 pm cut straight with scissors!! #gtchat



DeborahMersino Q2: For those of you with personal experience, can you talk to what worked,

12:14 pm what it was like, what proved challenging? #gtchat



asynschlrshnd Clearly educator/admin training = needed RT @DeborahMersino: Or her feet

12:14 pm are too small (via @HoagiesGifted)...another insane story! #gtchat



LisaDSB Agree that even with acceleration, there's often insufficient depth & breadth for

12:14 pm gifted child anyway. #gtchat



Susannewith3 Q1: My oldest is 'called' the right year, but subject to subject it changes. #gtchat

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cybraryman1 Love these references to messy writing and not cutting straight with scissors.

12:14 pm My children! #gtchat



DeborahMersino @KTVEe - Good for you! #gtchat

12:14 pm



asynschlrshnd Slowpoke! (not!) RT @cybraryman1: Q1 My brother skipped a grade &

12:14 pm graduated college at 19. I was slower & graduated at 20. #gtchat



laughingatchaos @asynschlrshnd I failed scissor cutting in Kinder b/c of poor fine motor skills.

12:14 pm Uh-huh...I have a masters in flute perf. LOL #gtchat

cybraryman1 RT @LisaDSB: Agree that even with acceleration, there's often insufficient

12:14 pm depth & breadth for gifted child anyway. #gtchat



MamaChicks Q2: mine too asynchronous. Worked for kids evenly gifted. #gtchat

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KTVEe Q2: Challenging - dealing with perceptions of staff. When a kid "skips" it doesn't

12:15 pm mean they are an expert on everything. #gtchat



mamacorin Q1 I skipped K, graduated HS at 16, but took 10 yrs to complete undergrad. My

12:15 pm dd is going to be a 15yo college soph this Fall #gtchat

GiftedHF Q1 I skipped K, graduated HS at 16, but took 10 yrs to complete undergrad. My

12:15 pm dd is going to be a 15yo college soph this Fall #gtchat



asynschlrshnd Me, neither! RT @MamaChicks: Doesnt cut straight with scissors. <= I STILL

12:15 pm don't cut straight with scissors!! #gtchat



LisaDSB Here in Ontario, acceleration seems dependant on whims of principal.

12:15 pm Inconsistent policy even within same board. #gtchat



ljconrad Q2: I started at 4 and finished at 17; college at 19. No big deal. So much easier

12:16 pm in the 'old days' when people didn't notice! #gtchat



DeborahMersino Q1: GDC (Gifted Development Center) recommending we double-promote

12:16 pm dd10 from 4th directly to 6th. Learned this yesterday. #gtchat



MamaChicks Mine finishing 5th gr today - working evenly at 8th gr level except in his gifted areas, where he is higher. Except writing. #gtchat
12:16 pm



Susannewith3 Q2: I think it's too soon to say. 7 year old has some issues fitting in proper groups, so does the 8 year old, but they would anyway #gtchat
12:16 pm



GiftedDevCenter @DeborahMersino Hi It's Kim Boham from Omaha...#gtchat
12:16 pm

GiftedHF #homeschool ftw! RT @TxParentsPG: #gtchat Schools not designed for asynchronous dev. Too asynchronous is sometimes impossible to accomodate.
12:16 pm

cybraryman1 @ljconrad Q2 Is it easier for a girl or boy to accelerate and graduate college at a young age? #gtchat
12:16 pm



jofrei Q2 Homeschooling allowed acceleration which worked well for us - could go at own pace and depth in a quirky way #gtchat
12:17 pm



LisaDSB Seems to be less common to skip now -- people in their 70s and up often got to grade skip, including my grandfather. #gtchat
12:17 pm



asynschlrshnd Will your school permit this? Good luck! RT @DeborahMersino: Q1: GDC recommending we double-promote dd10 from 4th to 6th. #gtchat
12:17 pm

cybraryman1 RT @jofrei: Q2 Homeschooling allowed acceleration which worked well for us - could go at own pace and depth in a quirky way #gtchat
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GiftedHF @asynschlrshnd Scissors? Ha! I still use my teeth and rip ;-) #gtchat
12:17 pm



DeborahMersino Love learning more about you. Was allowed 2 skip years (math/reading) in early elementary, then went to new school/wouldn't allow. #gtchat
12:17 pm



laughingatchaos @DeborahMersino Holy cow! Really? 2 grades? #gtchat
12:17 pm



DeborahMersino @GiftedDevCenter is in the house! Welcome Kim! #gtchat
12:17 pm



__Quest #gtchat anyone1 got experience of acceleration of more than one year? Was outcome positive?
12:17 pm



asynschlrshnd ROTFL! RT @GiftedHF: @asynschlrshnd Scissors? Ha! I still use my teeth and rip ;-) #gtchat
12:17 pm



LisaDSB @DeborahMersino - that's good news! Will it happen? #gtchat
12:17 pm



asynschlrshnd Welcome, Kim! RT @DeborahMersino: @GiftedDevCenter is in the house! Welcome Kim! #gtchat
12:18 pm

tracyweinberg @ljconrad But to some admins, that means less money in the long run. #gtchat
12:18 pm



ljconrad @cybraryman1 It depends on the child! #gtchat
12:18 pm



Susannewith3 Q2: homeschooling has been fantastic for depth, I can't recommend it enough for that. #gtchat
12:18 pm

GiftedHF Q2 Is it easier for a girl or boy to accelerate and graduate college at a young age? #gtchat // depends on the individual.
12:18 pm



DeborahMersino @laughingatchaos - Just one grade - instead of going into 5th, will start middle school (6th). Have to clear w/school though. #gtchat
12:18 pm



LisaDSB @MamaChicks Sounds exactly like my son! So what do you do for schooling?
12:18 pm #gtchat

cybraryman1 @ljconrad I know it depends on child but I feel it is easier for a girl. #gtchat
12:18 pm



KTvee Acceleration should not be seen as a privilege or a reward. It's about a right to the education that meets your needs. #gtchat
12:19 pm



laughingatchaos @DeborahMersino Oh, ok. Will school have a problem? Great news for her!
12:19 pm #gtchat

cybraryman1 @ljconrad Girls are usually more mature than boys. #gtchat
12:19 pm



MamaChicks RT @LisaDSB: @MamaChicks Sounds exactly like my son! So what do you do for schooling? Now homeschooling like you! :) #gtchat
12:19 pm

GiftedHF . @__Quest #gtchat Yes, my dd went from 9th gr #homeschool straight to college. Best. Thing. Ever.
12:19 pm



DeborahMersino Other options for gifted include homeschooling, partial homeschooling, private gifted (\$)... #gtchat
12:19 pm



asynschlrfsnd RT @GiftedHF: Q2 Is it easier for a girl or boy to accelerate and graduate college at a young age? #gtchat // depends on the individual.
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cybraryman1 RT @KTvee: Acceleration should not be seen as a privilege or a reward. It's about a right to the education that meets your needs. #gtchat
12:19 pm



jofrei RT @KTvee: Acceleration should not be seen as a privilege or a reward. It's about a right to the education that meets your needs Agree #gtchat
12:19 pm



DeborahMersino RT @KTvee Acceleration should not be seen as a privilege/reward. It's about a right to the education that meets your needs<Well said! #gtchat
12:20 pm



MamaChicks RT @LisaDSB: we found nobody willing to pick up the challenge #gtchat
12:20 pm



learnusa RT @KTvee: Acceleration should not be seen as a privilege or a reward. It's about a right to the education that meets your needs. #gtchat
12:20 pm

GiftedHF RT @KTvee: Acceleration should not be seen as a privilege or a reward. It's about a right to the education that meets your needs Agree #gtchat
12:20 pm



asynschlrfsnd Homeschool (or "custom education") can be the only way to accommodate some accelerated learners, esp. more asynchronous ones #gtchat #fb
12:20 pm

cybraryman1 @demom2gifted Test: This showed up #gtchat
12:20 pm



DeborahMersino I'm going to cite from Feldhusen, Proctor, Black article...here's some guidelines. I'll put FPB due to space/they get credit though! #gtchat
12:20 pm

-  **asynschlrfsnd** RT @KTvee: Acceleration should not be seen as a privilege or a reward. It's about a right to the education that meets your needs. #gtchat #fb
12:21 pm
-  **DeborahMersino** "No empirical basis in belief that grade advancement will result in social-emotional maladjustment or gaps in learning." FPB #gtchat
12:21 pm
-  **ljconrad** @cybraryman1 hmm ... still depends on kid & sometimes level of giftedness. Boys more apt to be involved in sports. #gtchat
12:21 pm
-  **LisaDSB** Met a boy who skipped in private sch, but is moving to public and has to repeat gr6 to fit with age peers. Kid knows string theory! #gtchat
12:21 pm
-  **KTvee** Interested in standard based schs kids move freely through "levels" based on readiness; but depth into learning must not be lost #gtchat
12:22 pm
-  **MamaChicks** RT @LisaDSB: GAH!!! #gtchat
12:22 pm
-  **laughingatchaos** @LisaDSB Oh. No. That's just wrong! #gtchat
12:22 pm
-  **jofrei** Contact with mentors really complements acceleration #gtchat
12:22 pm
-  **Susannewith3** Social adjustment is all about the kid and the individual maturity level and sometimes the age they are skipped. #gtchat
12:22 pm
-  **__Quest** RT @GiftedHF: #homeschool ftw! #gtchat
12:22 pm
-  **DeborahMersino** "Obj measures of ed performance&subjective measures of student & parent satisfaction suggest gr. advancement=more pos than neg" FPB #gtchat
12:22 pm
- cybraryman1** RT @Susannewith3: Social adjustment is all about the kid and the individual maturity level and sometimes the age they are skipped. #gtchat
12:23 pm
-  **asynschlrfsnd** Yes, profoundly asynchronous aren't accommodated by private GT schools either. RT @TxParentsPG: #gtchat hard 4 pvt gt w/accel ...
12:23 pm
-  **DeborahMersino** RT @jofrei Contact with mentors really complements acceleration<=YES #gtchat
12:23 pm
-  **KTvee** RT @jofrei: Contact with mentors really complements acceleration #gtchat
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-  **DeborahMersino** RT @KTvee Interested in stand based schs kids move freely thru "levels" based on readiness; but depth in2 learning must not be lost #gtchat
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-  **laughingatchaos** RT @jofrei: Contact with mentors really complements acceleration<-assists kids who aren't accel too! #gtchat
12:23 pm
-  **Susannewith3** @LisaDSB oh man. I can't imagine. I know I CAN'T put my kids into public schools Their science is grades ahead, their verbal CRAZY #gtchat
12:24 pm
-  **asynschlrfsnd** RT @LisaDSB: Met boy who skipped in pvt sch, but is mvng 2 public & has w repeat gr6 w fit with age peers. Kid knows string theory! #gtchat
12:24 pm
- cybraryman1** @TxParentsPG I like the readiness approach #gtchat
12:24 pm



ljconrad @KTVEe Krissy, I read last fall KCMO was doing this. Do you know anything
12:24 pm abt it? #gtchat



DeborahMersino "Academically, it does not seem to matter which grade level the child does not
12:24 pm directly experience." FPB <=interesting #gtchat



jofrei RT @laughingatchaos: RT @jofrei: Contact with mentors really complements
12:24 pm acceleration<-assists kids who arent accel too! True! #gtchat



Quest RT @KTVEe: Acceleration should not be seen as a privilege or a reward. It's
12:24 pm about a right to the education that meets your needs. #gtchat



DeborahMersino @LisaDSB - Sad. Simply sad. #gtchat
12:25 pm



asynschlrshnd There are tiny pockets of hope: Individual teachers/administrators who "get it"
12:25 pm both in public & pvt schools... but too few #gtchat



asynschlrshnd Absolutely! RT @TxParentsPG: #gtchat I can not express how important
12:25 pm mentors are to the profoundly asynchronous. It is a huge need!



KTVEe MT @asynschlrshnd: Tiny pockets of hope: Individual teachers/administrators
12:25 pm who "get it" both in public & pvt schools... but 2 few #gtchat



DeborahMersino "Should be comprehensive psychological evaluation of child's intellectual func,
12:26 pm academic skill levels & social-emotional adjust" FPB #gtchat



MamaChicks RT @DeborahMersino: "Acad, it does not seem to matter which gr lvl not
12:26 pm experience." FPB <= if they know the info why take the grade? #gtchat

cybraryman1 @AsynchSchlrshnd We have to accelerate our education of all teachers/
12:26 pm administrators! #gtchat



KTVEe @ljconrad nope- I read about that, too, though. Must remember to check into it,
12:26 pm see how it's going; it seems genius to me! :) #gtchat



LisaDSB Common argument is that child will be in with peers who hit puberty & will be
12:27 pm pressured to fit in. (1/2) #gtchat



asynschlrshnd Yes! This is the solution! RT @cybraryman1: @AsynchSchlrshnd We have to
12:27 pm accelerate our education of all teachers/administrators! #gtchat #fb



ljconrad @KTVEe 17,000 students! I will check, also. :) #gtchat
12:27 pm



DeborahMersino Q3: Has anyone here experienced any negatives relative to acceleration/grade
12:27 pm skipping? Just curious? Can you explain negs/positives? #gtchat



LisaDSB Wouldn't be a problem if all classes were mixed age/ability based (like the old 1
12:27 pm room school house). One child wouldn't stand out. #gtchat



KTVEe our educ. systems likes to place kids in levels for everything, when flexibility
12:27 pm would open doors to learning for all kids #gtchat



Susannewith3 @MamaChicks agreed, you can CLEP in college, I let my kids test out of
12:27 pm chapters or skip lessons they know by heart #gtchat



Susannewith3 @LisaDSB Some truth to that. I was put in Kindergarten a year early, always
12:28 pm the youngest, always 'a kid' and gifted. not good. #gtchat



laughingatchaos @Susannewith3 @MamaChicks I LOVE CLEP tests. Got me out of 2 classes in college. #gtchat
12:28 pm



DeborahMersino "Intellectually, child should have IQ of 125+ & have level of mental dev. above the mean of the grade desired." FPB #gtchat
12:28 pm

GiftedHF Q3: #gtchat Negatives: Yes, I was *very* 2e and was not emotionally ready, but also don't think staying back would have helped in my sit.
12:28 pm



KTVee @TxParentsPG Me, too. Some of our "rules" for things don't do kids any justice, at all. #gtchat
12:29 pm



MamaChicks RT @Susannewith3: @MamaChicks I let my kids test out of chapters or skip lessons they know by heart <= mine is teaching me the info #gtchat
12:29 pm



asynchschrlnfd Yes, but w/o being required to teach RT @LisaDSB: If classes were mixed age/ability based (like the old 1 room school house). #gtchat
12:29 pm



Susannewith3 @LisaDSB BUT I don't know that I wouldn't have had problems anyway.
12:29 pm #gtchat



DeborahMersino Some children benefit from single subject acceleration too." (Paraphrasing FPB) #gtchat
12:29 pm

cybraryman1 RT @DeborahMersino: Some children benefit from single subject acceleration too." (Paraphrasing FPB) #gtchat
12:29 pm



DeborahMersino @MamaChicks - love it! #gtchat
12:29 pm



Susannewith3 @MamaChicks I'm waiting. I've already learned to never question Marcus when he's "sure" of something. #gtchat
12:29 pm



LisaDSB Q3 - not personally, but have heard that other kids can be mean b/c they have mindset of moving lockstep w age & young child diff. #gtchat
12:29 pm



Susannewith3 RT @DeborahMersino: Some children benefit from single subject acceleration too." (Paraphrasing FPB)---this is my bread and butter #gtchat
12:30 pm



KTVee @DeborahMersino I think one possible negative is the expectations placed on kid to "succeed" and added pressure #gtchat
12:30 pm



LisaDSB Why couldn't we have 240 characters on twitter! I'm too long-winded!!! #gtchat
12:30 pm



DeborahMersino @GiftedHF - Glad you shared. It's tricky, isn't it? Dd10 is 2E also. #gtchat
12:30 pm



DeborahMersino "Socially & emotionally, child should be free of any serious adjustment problems." FPB #gtchat
12:31 pm



Susannewith3 @LisaDSB amen, me too. :P always editing. #gtchat
12:31 pm



ljconrad Single subject acceleration can be tricky if schools are not nearby. Transportation issues. #gtchat
12:31 pm



DeborahMersino "Additionally, child should demonstrate high degree of persistence & motivation for learning." FPB #gtchat
12:31 pm



jofrei RT @DeborahMersino: Some children benefit from single subject acceleration too." (Paraphrasing FPB)Yes! like Smorgasbord of Options #gtchat
12:31 pm

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asynschlrfsnd Miraca Gross says if target class = prepared ahead of time, this goes awayRT @LisaDSB: other kids can be mean b/c they have mindset #gtchat
12:31 pm



UsborneBooksCB RT @_Quest: RT @GiftedHF: #homeschool ftw! #gtchat
12:31 pm

GiftedHF RT @DeborahMersino: It's tricky, isn't it? Dd10 is 2E also. #gtchat // It's why I'm glad my kids could #homeschool. Bow Tie Model
12:31 pm

ASF

asynschlrfsnd LOL! RT @LisaDSB: Why couldn't we have 240 characters on twitter! I'm too long-winded!!! #gtchat
12:31 pm



MamaChicks RT @DeborahMersino: "Socially & emotionally, child should be free of any serious adjustment problems." <= adj prob because of boredm #gtchat
12:32 pm



Susannewith3 @DeborahMersino overexcitabilities make social issues hard anyway. And for profoundly/exceptionally gited even more so. #gtchat
12:32 pm

cybraryman1 Bottom line is you have to sit down with your child & find out how they feel about being accelerated #gtchat
12:32 pm



laughingatchaos @DeborahMersino Bwahahahaha? A gifted child? Hooboy, wishful thinking!
12:32 pm #gtchat

GiftedHF . @KTVEe Agreed - once accell, kid is often held to higher standards. #gtchat
12:33 pm



MamaChicks RT @Susannewith3: overexcitabilities make social issues hard anyway. And for profoundly/exceptionally gited even more so. <= YES! #gtchat
12:33 pm



DeborahMersino "However, in specific cases there may be serious adjustment problems caused by inappropriately low grade placement." FPB interesting #gtchat
12:33 pm



LisaDSB Some schools find "adjustment problems" and refuse to accelerate, when the issues stem from boredom. #gtchat
12:33 pm



LisaDSB Sorry @MamaChicks - you just said that! #gtchat
12:33 pm



DeborahMersino @cybraryman1 makes an excellent point!! Child MUST want to be acceleration (not pressured by parents). #gtchat
12:33 pm



DeborahMersino RT @LisaDSB Some schools find "adjustment problems" and refuse to accelerate, when the issues stem from boredom. <=yes #gtchat
12:33 pm

ASF

asynschlrfsnd Q3 No direct experience, but have read that some face intellectual challenge for first time, self esteem can suffer if not supported #gtchat
12:33 pm



KTVEe @LisaDSB grt point; and the 'boredom' likely comes from skimming the surface on topics where g/t kids want to DIG deep #gtchat
12:34 pm

MYCCapeBreton RT @jofrei: RT @DeborahMersino: Some children benefit from single subject acceleration too." #gtchat
12:34 pm

ASF

asynschlrfsnd RT @Susannewith3: @DeborahMersino overexcitabilities make social issues hard anyway. 4 profoundly/exceptionally gited even more so. #gtchat
12:34 pm



ljconrad @cybraryman1 So, true! Many other factors - age of siblings, sports, friends ...
12:34 pm #gtchat



Susannewith3 @asynchschrfsnd that didn't happen for me until college. having an actual
12:34 pm challenge was such a shock. #gtchat



DeborahMersino @asynchschrfsnd - Great point! Yes, may no longer feel "on top"...needs to
12:35 pm have Growth Mindset/openly discuss feelings. #gtchat



MamaChicks RT @asynchschrfsnd: some face intellectual challenge for first time <= our old
12:35 pm friend, "resilience" rears his ugly head #gtchat



MamaChicks RT @Susannewith3: @asynchschrfsnd that didnt happen for me until college.
12:35 pm having an actual challenge was such a shock. SAME #gtchat



LorelShea #gtchat son was subject accelerated M + R in kindy but +1 year did little to
12:35 pm challenge and he was quite 2e so full skip not desirable.



DeborahMersino @KTvee @LisaDSB - Yes, which is why Woodstock-Johnson/achievement
12:35 pm tests can shed light on true abilities... #gtchat



asynchschrfsnd I'd wager this = often! @ RT @DeborahMersino: may be serious adjustment
12:35 pm problems caused by inappropriately low grade placement. #gtchat



DeborahMersino @MamaChicks @asynchschrfsnd - Yes, freaked me out completely (first year
12:36 pm at Northwestern) #gtchat



ljconrad @MamaChicks I was afraid to come to this chat at first! #gtchat
12:36 pm



DeborahMersino "Receiving teacher/s must have positive attitudes toward the acceleration & be
12:37 pm willing to help the child adjust to new setting."FPB #gtchat



Susannewith3 @DeborahMersino @MamaChicks @asynchschrfsnd lol sorta "what do you
12:37 pm mean I don't already know this" lol #gtchat



cbmcleod @DeborahMersino then what happens when they reach the limit of what
12:37 pm elementary has to offer? #gtchat



KTvee This is why an accel policy is hard; it's not a black/white issue... so many grey
12:37 pm areas; gotta keep KID in mind #gtchat



asynchschrfsnd Hello, secondary! RT @CBMcLeod: then what happens when they reach the
12:37 pm limit of what elementary has to offer? #gtchat



asynchschrfsnd Yes, kid should be priority! RT @KTvee: This is why an accel policy is hard...
12:38 pm so many grey areas; gotta keep KID in mind #gtchat



DeborahMersino @cbmcleod - Acceleration to middle school or high school...rapid acceleration
12:38 pm to high school directly from elem school. Homeschool #gtchat



MamaChicks RT @KTvee: This is why an accel policy is hard; its not a black/white issue...
12:38 pm gotta keep KID in mind <= absolutely! #gtchat



DeborahMersino @KTvee - Yes, so needs to be evaluated on ind. basis. #gtchat
12:38 pm



cbmcleod @DeborahMersino neg: social acceptance. #gtchat
12:38 pm



Susannewith3 easier when you tailor their curr. outside of 'grade' x level for handwriting, y for science, z for math, pieced instead of whole. #gtchat
12:39 pm



DeborahMersino "Public school teachers are sometimes unduly pessimistic about children's social-emotional maturity." FPB #gtchat
12:39 pm



cbmcleod @DeborahMersino pos. giving a child what they need. #gtchat
12:39 pm

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asynschlrshnd RT @Susannewith3: easier when you tailor curr. outside of 'grade' x level for handwriting, y for science, pieced instead of whole. #gtchat
12:39 pm



LisaDSB Still think the entire system needs 2 be more ability based. Here in Canada we have no problem streaming kids by ability in hockey! #gtchat
12:39 pm



Susannewith3 @cbmcleod social acceptance can be hard for an idle student anyway. "devils play thing" and all that. #gtchat
12:39 pm



DeborahMersino @cbmcleod - yes...can happen. Many cite preference w/older kids. Depends...
12:39 pm #gtchat



MamaChicks RT @Susannewith3: easier when you tailor their curr. <= public schools can't do this effectively. Balancing too many needs. IMO #gtchat
12:40 pm



DeborahMersino "All cases of grade advancement should be arranged on a trial basis...six weeks should be efficient." FPB #gtchat
12:40 pm



jofrei Often kids not showing the achievements, attitudes etc required for them to receive the acc they need to be able to show them #gtchat
12:40 pm

cybraryman1 RT @DeborahMersino: "All cases of grade advancement should be arranged on a trial basis...six weeks should be efficient." FPB #gtchat
12:41 pm



Susannewith3 @MamaChicks no, they can't :(not the way they are currently structured. Not sure how public schools can help best. #gtchat
12:41 pm



DeborahMersino Q4: Does anyone have experience where one sibling was accelerated/not the other? Impact? @cybraryman1 ? #gtchat
12:41 pm

ASF

asynschlrshnd Even in US being GT in sports is widely accepted, celebrated; but not intellect. RT @LisaDSB:: streaming kids by ability in hockey! #gtchat
12:41 pm



cbmcleod @DeborahMersino doesn't as they get older #gtchat
12:41 pm



DeborahMersino "Care should be exercised not to build up excessive expectations from grade advancement..." FPB #gtchat
12:41 pm



Susannewith3 @jofrei it's a little spiral isn't it? bored so not working, so not given work so more bored, etc. #gtchat
12:42 pm



DeborahMersino @cbmcleod - Can you say more about your experience? Would love to learn from you. #gtchat
12:42 pm



KTVee @asynschlrshnd ppl make fun of my obsession with #NASA, yet sports-fanatics get tattooed and it's okay #gtchat
12:42 pm



DeborahMersino "Child should not be made to feel he or she is a failure if it (grade skip) does not go well." FPB <=very important! #gtchat
12:42 pm



LesLinks RT @Susannewith3: @jofrei it's a little spiral isn't it? bored so not working, so
12:43 pm not given work so more bored, etc. #gtchat = ya...



jofrei RT @Susannewith3: @jofrei it's a little spiral isn't it? bored so not working, so
12:43 pm not given work so more bored, etc. Exactly! #gtchat



Susannewith3 RT @DeborahMersino: "Care should be exercised not" YES, I'd rather a
12:43 pm challenged B or C than a bored A. #gtchat

cybraryman1 Q4 Academics may not be a problem but socially for some it can be detrimental
12:43 pm #gtchat



KTVee RT @jofrei: Often kids not showing achievements, attitudes etc required for
12:43 pm them to receive acc they need to be able to show them #gtchat



DeborahMersino "Grade advancement decisions should be based on facts rather than
12:43 pm myths...accelerations contributes to acad. achievement." FPB #gtchat



asynchschrfsnd Totally! RT @KTVee: @asynchschrfsnd ppl make fun of my obsession with
12:43 pm #NASA, yet sports-fanatics get tattooed and it's okay #gtchat



DeborahMersino @jofrei - Excellent point! #gtchat
12:44 pm



ljconrad @LesLinks Well, hello!!!!!! #gtchat
12:44 pm



UsborneBooksCB In homeschool grade lvl isn't important-especially when you use lit./book-based
12:44 pm curriculum instead of textbooks ie Classical method #gtchat



DeborahMersino My dd10 is pumped. She's not achiever type at school...will be interesting to
12:44 pm hear school's reaction. Grateful to GDC though! #gtchat



Susannewith3 Q4: I was accel'ed but none of my sibs were I was always the 'smart one' and
12:44 pm the academic one, even when I crashed and burned in 7th #gtchat



asynchschrfsnd Some teacher/admin training exists to recognize this phenomenon RT @jofrei:
12:45 pm Often kids not showing achievements, attitudes etc #gtchat



DeborahMersino Okay, so what other questions do YOU have? #gtchat
12:45 pm



LesLinks RT @cybraryman1: Q4 but socially for some it can be detrimental #gtchat =
12:45 pm This is true, but for some NOT moving on can be detrimental too.

cybraryman1 @DeborahMersino My Learning from Mistakes page: <http://tinyurl.com/4qke9y2>
12:45 pm #gtchat



DeborahMersino RT @UsborneBooksCB In homeschool grade lvl isn't important-especially when
12:45 pm you use lit./book-based curriculum instead of textbooks #gtchat



jofrei Q4 Nothing special happened for our older children - they say pity you did not
12:46 pm find all this stuff till it was too late for us #gtchat

cybraryman1 @LesLinks It can work both ways. All depends on the individual child #gtchat
12:46 pm



asynchschrfsnd I recommend you seek educ advocacy support... can help w avocacy RT
12:46 pm @DeborahMersino: ..will be interesting to hear school's reaction.#gtchat



DeborahMersino @cybraryman1 - I was truly surprised to see the empirical research on this.
12:46 pm Most thrive. #gtchat



Susannewith3 RT @UsborneBooksCB In homeschool grade lvl isnt important-especially when
12:46 pm you use lit./book-based curriculum instead of textbooks #gtchat



MamaChicks DS11 luvs HomeScl. At school, wouldn't do anything - bored. At home - gets up
12:46 pm ready to go, does his work w/no problem, no prodding #gtchat



DeborahMersino Why Grade Skipping Should Be Back in Fashion by Laura Vanderkam
12:46 pm <http://bit.ly/kmXZsC> #gtchat



LorelShea #gtchat would love to see grade levels disappear altogether.
12:47 pm



asynschlrsvnd Or child-led learning RT @UsborneBooksCB In homeschool grade lvl isn't impt-
12:47 pm esp when you use lit./book-based curric instd of textbks #gtchat



bf4tbrainy RT @DeborahMersino: Why Grade Skipping Should Be Back in Fashion by
12:47 pm Laura Vanderkam <http://bit.ly/kmXZsC> #gtchat



ljonrad One room schoolhouse! #gtchat
12:47 pm



DeborahMersino Research shows, "students have been found to maintain their interest in school,
12:47 pm excel academ., & complete higher levels of ed" FPB #gtchat



asynschlrsvnd RT @DeborahMersino: Why Grade Skipping Should Be Back in Fashion by
12:47 pm Laura Vanderkam <http://bit.ly/kmXZsC> #gtchat



laughingatchaos @LorelShea Me too. Would solve a LOT of issues. #gtchat
12:48 pm



DeborahMersino RT @LorelShea #gtchat would love to see grade levels disappear altogether.
12:48 pm <=amen! #gtchat



LisaDSB Yes, we work at all grade levels at home (or none). Read lots of books, play
12:48 pm instruments, spend all day on one topic, if desired. #gtchat



LorelShea #gtchat susanne, "smart one" label can be a heavy burden on a child.
12:48 pm



Susannewith3 @MamaChicks we're gettin there my oldest fought math a bit, still hates drills,
12:48 pm he's gotten to the point I think he's ready to jump. #gtchat



jofrei RT @DeborahMersino: RT @LorelShea #gtchat would love to see grade levels
12:48 pm disappear altogether. <=amen! Yes! #gtchat



DeborahMersino The quotes I've been citing come from this doc via @DavidsonGifted
12:48 pm <http://bit.ly/kqGQrP> #gtchat



LisaDSB RT @LorelShea: #gtchat would love to see grade levels disappear altogether.
12:49 pm ==> Me too! #gtchat



KTVee RT @DeborahMersino: RT @LorelShea #gtchat would love to see grade levels
12:49 pm disappear altogether. <=amen! #gtchat



DeborahMersino Q7 (think that's what we're on!): Have any of you tried partial homeschooling?
12:49 pm Experiences? #gtchat



Susannewith3 @LorelShea for me it was ... a status symbol, my identity, hard I'm sure but I
12:49 pm relished it. Liked it, protected it. #gtchat



UsborneBooksCB RT @asynchschrfsnd: Or child-led learning <<True! #gtchat
12:49 pm



KTvee Grade levels, like grades, and multiple choice tests, were probably not created
12:49 pm or invented to improve learning #gtchat



DeborahMersino @Susannewith3 - think that's what my dd10 will feel...thank you for sharing it.
12:50 pm #gtchat



Susannewith3 Q7 ? Partial homeschooling? Like doing school THEN homeschooling? #gtchat
12:50 pm



MamaChicks RT @DeborahMersino: Q7 we were until we went full time @ home. Prvt school
12:50 pm wouldn't teach to level, so we did at home. #gtchat



LisaDSB Q7-started with partial HS with DS9 (he was half days at school). Realized he
12:50 pm was learning more at home, so cut out the middle-man. #gtchat



DeborahMersino Forms of acceleration: early entr to kindergarten, grade skipping, content
12:51 pm accel., telescoping, testing out, AP, dual enrollment #gtchat



LisaDSB Many parents do "after schooling" at child's level, but find that school takes best
12:51 pm hours of day, plus adds homework (busywork). #gtchat



DeborahMersino @LisaDSB - How much time do you now spend each day? Just curious...
12:51 pm #gtchat



jofrei Q7 We used Distance Ed for part of the time which was a bit like half way
12:51 pm between school &homeschooling had advantages and drawbacks #gtchat



UsborneBooksCB RT @LisaDSB: RT @LorelShea: #gtchat would love to see grade levels
12:51 pm disappear altogether. ==> Me too! >> Amen to that! #gtchat



judyfrespirit RT @GiftedHF: RT @KTvee: Accerlation should not be seen as a privilege or a
12:51 pm reward. Its about a right to the education that meets your needs Agree #gtchat



asynchschrfsnd Yes! RT @LorelShea: #gtchat would love to see grade levels disappear
12:51 pm altogether.



Berylaube RT @DeborahMersino: Loads of resources/articles on acceleration via
12:52 pm @HoagiesGifted! <http://bit.ly/jtEwvf> #gtchat



Susannewith3 Q7: I've had friends do full school and then school at home. I generally
12:52 pm recommend against that for emotional/stress reasons. #gtchat



DeborahMersino @MamaChicks - Did the partial work well? Is it a good option for those who
12:52 pm might not be in a position to homeschool full time? #gtchat



asynchschrfsnd That's called "afterschooling" -- BTD! RT @Susannewith3: Q7 ? Partial
12:52 pm homeschooling? Like doing school THEN homeschooling? #gtchat



LorelShea #gtchat we'd love to use schools for extras: art, music, etc. but not permitted for
12:52 pm homeschoolers here.



DeborahMersino @judyfrespirit - Good to see you! #gtchat
12:52 pm



UsborneBooksCB @DeborahMersino The Well-Trained Mind has great resources and ideas for partial homeschooling #gtchat
12:52 pm



laughingatchaos @asynschlrshnd Yup, afterschooling here too! #gtchat
12:52 pm



LisaDSB @DeborahMersino - Well, they're doing something educational all day, but my own involvement is probably a few hours at most. #gtchat
12:53 pm



KTvee I'm really afraid the very need for acceleration points to ginormous underlying gaps in our ed. system #gtchat
12:53 pm



DeborahMersino The Well-Trained Mind <http://amzn.to/jv5A0j> Thank you @UsborneBooksCB #gtchat
12:53 pm



asynschlrshnd We view all times as learning opportunities RT @DeborahMersino: @LisaDSB - How much time do you now spend each day? Just curious... #gtchat
12:53 pm



ljconrad The kind of life you provide a gifted child should inherently be an accelerated education! Everything can become a learning exp. #gtchat
12:53 pm



Susannewith3 Q7: It can be hard to find play time with afterschooling. ANd even teens need play time :) #gtchat
12:54 pm



DeborahMersino ATTN: We have just a few minutes left. I'm hoping this chat has proved helpful. Final thoughts, takeaways, learns, ideas? #gtchat
12:54 pm



asynschlrshnd RT @ljconrad: The kind of life you provide a gifted child should inherently B acceler8d education! Everything can B a learning exp. #gtchat
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LorelShea RT @KTvee: I'm really afraid the very need for acceleration points to ginormous underlying gaps in our ed. system #gtchat
12:54 pm



MamaChicks @DeborahMersino Can't really say... was a bad situation at school (school didn't mean anything), but we couldn't let brain wither #gtchat
12:55 pm



jofrei RT @ljconrad: kind of life you provide a gifted child should be an acc education! Everything can be a learning exp. Well said! #gtchat
12:55 pm



DeborahMersino @LorelShea @KTvee - Agree...points to need for depth, creativity, complexities, individualization, etc... #gtchat
12:55 pm



asynschlrshnd We approach learning as play, play as learning. RT @Susannewith3: Q7: It can be hard to find play time with afterschooling. #gtchat
12:55 pm



DeborahMersino @MamaChicks - I hear you! #gtchat
12:55 pm



UsborneBooksCB RT @LisaDSB: @DeborahMersino - they're doing something educational all day but my own involvement is probably few hrs @ most #gtchat <<same!
12:56 pm



Susannewith3 @asynschlrshnd I guess when I say 'play' I mean unstructured free time. Some kids don't want it, but most need it, even later. #gtchat
12:56 pm



asynschlrshnd Final thoughts: Yes to ability-based grouping, no grade levels, child-led learning! #gtchat
12:56 pm



MamaChicks GTG take kid to biology... thanks all! *waves* #gtchat
12:56 pm



KTvee @DeborahMersino exactly. we move through curric, skimming it all, and these kids never get "fed" the way they are hungry for #gtchat
12:56 pm



LisaDSB RT @LisaDSB- Well, theyre doing something educational [BTW, things like catching butterflies are considered "educational" here, lol] #gtchat
12:56 pm



DeborahMersino For those of you who are new to #gtchat, I hope you'll consider joining us again at 7pm/EDT today! #gtchat
12:56 pm

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asynschlrfsnd But we think we've seen much learning then too RT @Susannewith3: I guess when I say 'play' I mean unstructured free time. #gtchat
12:57 pm

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asynschlrfsnd RT @DeborahMersino: For those of you who are new to #gtchat, I hope you'll consider joining us again at 7pm/EDT today! #gtchat
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DeborahMersino RT @asynschlrfsnd Final thoughts: Yes to ability-based grouping, no grade levels, child-led learning! #gtchat
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LorelShea RT @asynschlrfsnd: Final thoughts: Yes to ability-based grouping, no grade levels, child-led learning! #gtchat
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cybraryman1 "7 Savvy Ways to Use Your Blog to Impact" will be the 7pm/EDT #gtchat topic
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asynschlrfsnd RT @cybraryman1: "7 Savvy Ways to Use Your Blog to Impact" will be the 7pm/EDT #gtchat topic
12:57 pm



Susannewith3 @asynschlrfsnd Agreed :) But I wouldn't call that anything beyond living, image of afterschooling is more 'here, read x book' :) #gtchat
12:57 pm



DeborahMersino Topic at 7pm/EDT will be "7 Savvy Ways to Use Your Blog to Impact." Even if you don't blog, consider stopping by! #gtchat
12:58 pm



laughingatchaos @cybraryman1 Looking forward 2 tonight's topic; REALLY want to use my blog to impact, but stuck! #gtchat
12:58 pm



jofrei @LisaDSB Yes catching butterflies and reading for pleasure etc not time wasting they are valuable learning! #gtchat
12:58 pm



laughingatchaos RT @DeborahMersino: Topic at 7pm/EDT will be "7 Savvy Ways to Use Your Blog to Impact." Even if you dont blog, consider stopping by! #gtchat
12:58 pm

cybraryman1 Always wonderful chatting with everyone on this "accelerated" #gtchat
12:58 pm



DeborahMersino I greatly appreciate the personal experiences, thoughts, wisdom, ideas, and resources that are shared week in and week out! TY all! #gtchat
12:58 pm



KTvee MT @DeborahMersino: Topic at 7pm/EDT will be "7 Savvy Ways to Use Your Blog to Impact." Consider stopping by! #gtchat
12:59 pm



UsborneBooksCB RT @asynschlrfsnd: RT @cybraryman1: "7 Savvy Ways to Use Your Blog to Impact" will be the 7pm/EDT #gtchat topic
12:59 pm

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asynschlrfsnd Yes. Not easy either, but full-scale reform towards ability-based cld be goal. RT @TxParentsPG: #gtchat Accel. can work but isn't easy fix.
12:59 pm

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asynschlrfsnd @DeborahMersino We appreciate you! Thank you for creating/leading #gtchat.
12:59 pm



ljconrad @DeborahMersino Excellent chat ... as always! Looking forward to tonight's
12:59 pm chat - hope to learn a lot! :) #gtchat



DeborahMersino Iowa Acceleration Scale via @BelinBlank <http://bit.ly/17oSSN> <=TY Les. #gtchat
12:59 pm

MYCCapeBreton RT @jofrei: @LisaDSB Yes catching butterflies and reading for pleasure etc not
12:59 pm time wasting they are valuable learning! #gtchat

ASF

asynschlr A valuable resource RT @DeborahMersino: Iowa Acceleration Scale via
1:00 pm @BelinBlank <http://bit.ly/17oSSN> <=TY Les. #gtchat #fb



DeborahMersino Well, that's a wrap! Thank you all for joining in. I'll post transcript soon! #gtchat
1:00 pm



jofrei @DeborahMersino Thank you and everyone for a great chat - talk to you all
1:00 pm later #gtchat



DeborahMersino RT @TxParentsPG @DeborahMersino #gtchat First twitter chat! Crazy and
1:00 pm cool! Thanks for hosting. <=love hearing this!! #gtchat



KTvee #gtchat always makes me want to start my own school, on my own planet, and
1:01 pm NOT pack standardized tests - everything would b about learning



DeborahMersino @KTvee - When you're ready and build it, they will come! :) #gtchat
1:01 pm



drseide Does #school value experts over #creativity ? <http://bit.ly/mPAOvz> #education
1:02 pm #teachers #gifted #GTchat #TED #schools



Susannewith3 Phew #gtchat goes by so quickly. almost like it's accelerated. get it? get it?
1:02 pm



Susannewith3 PS Puns are part of my giftedness, there should be a book on that #gtchat
1:03 pm #gtchat



KTvee @TxParentsPG Welcome to Twitter! #gtchat is the BEST way to connect about
1:03 pm g/t



DeborahMersino Powerful video on Social Media Revolution by @equalman <http://bit.ly/jTbQBj>
1:04 pm #gtchat #gifted #edchat