

How to create a
more
well-rounded GT
program with
booster program
components



<https://tinyurl.com/HPSWGC2019>



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Harmony Public Schools



59 Campuses

STEM focus

6 out of 7 district rated A by Texas Education Agency

Has GT services in charter application

most campuses are Title I

2. GATE in Harmony Public Schools

Over 3,500 GT kids

K-8 Pull-out services

Advisory committee consisting of district coordinators and director

AP and Dual-credit in HS

Welcome Event

- ▷ Who? (parents)
- ▷ Why? (build relationships between school and parents and also parents-parents, share more of what we are doing?)
- ▷ What? (what services look like, how we can all help support students)

This now a required activity for GT programs in Texas

Family Events

- ▷ Potlucks
- ▷ Game nights
- ▷ Carnival nights
([Cane's arcade](#))
- ▷ Movie nights
- ▷ Book club
- ▷ STEM nights
([Science Olympiad](#)
[Fun Day and Night](#))



Parent Forum

- ▷ Mini Conference Set-up (email me for logistics)
- ▷ Interpreters and child-care improved attendance rate by 200%
- ▷ Free learning opportunities
- ▷ Charging a slight fee (\$5/family) will hopefully increase attendance

Coffee Chats

- ▷ Discuss different topics each month
- ▷ Held either during or after school
- ▷ Support for and between parents
- ▷ Topics reflect parent's needs
- ▷ For students can do similar set-up like a lunch bunch or hot chocolate chat

Fieldtrips

- ▷ Benefits
- ▷ Connection to real life
- ▷ Being with peers



After School Activities

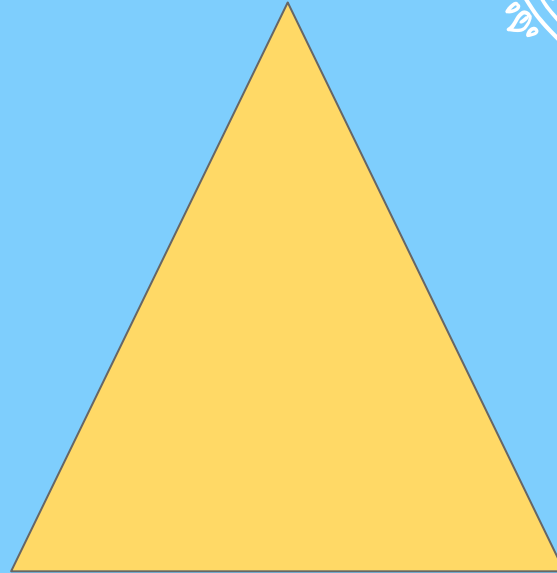
- ▷ Robotics
- ▷ Science Olympiad
- ▷ Team Quest
- ▷ Odyssey of the Mind
- ▷ Rubik's Cube
- ▷ Future City
- ▷ Junior Sprint Solar Car
- ▷ Seaperch
- ▷ Chess competition
- ▷ Mathdice
- ▷ Quizbowl
- ▷ Speech and Debate
- ▷ Mathcounts
- ▷ Noetic Math

Showcase

Showing their projects off to peers and parents

[District Showcase](#)

STUDENTS



SCHOOL

PARENTS

THANKS!

Any questions?

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