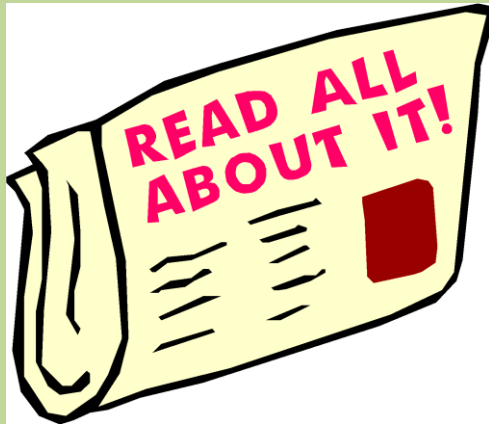




# Keeping the PACE

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## WINTER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

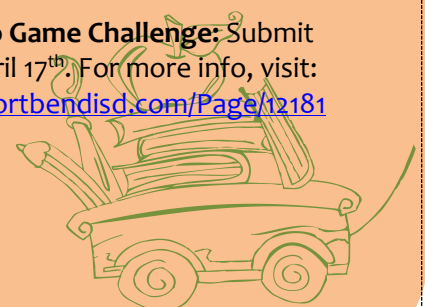
### BRAND NEW MEMBER BENEFIT

- PACE is proud to announce that **all PACE members are now extended the benefit of being affiliated parent members of TAGT, the Texas Association for the Gifted and Talented.** Being an affiliated parent member of TAGT puts you in contact with other parents of gifted children throughout the state of Texas via online communities and also connects you to member only resources on the TAGT website. You will also receive a weekly e-news brief from TAGT. More details will be coming after the 1<sup>st</sup> of the year, so be on the lookout!

### CALL TO ACTION!

- If you are interested in becoming further involved with PACE, either as a **campus liaison or as a board member (secretary or webmaster)**, please contact any member of the PACE board to express your interest or for further information. We look forward to hearing from you!

- **2017-2018 GT Academy Application Window:** Open from January 1<sup>st</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>.
- **PACE Members Open Forum:** Friday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, 12- 1 pm, University Branch Library (Meeting Room 2), 14010 University Blvd., Sugar Land, 77479.
- **Parent Information Night for 2017-2018 GT Academy Admission:** Wednesday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, 6- 7 pm, Quail Valley Middle School, 3019 FM 1092, Missouri City, 77459
- **FBISD Scratch Day:** Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, 8 am- 12 pm, Missouri City Middle School, 202 Martin Ln., Missouri City, 77489. For more info, visit: <http://www.fortbendisid.com/Page/78978>
- **FBISD Film Fest:** Submit entries from February 1<sup>st</sup>- February 15<sup>th</sup>. For more info, visit: <http://www.fortbendisid.com/Page/14219>
- **Parent Notification Letters from Fall GT Testing Mailed Out:** Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>
- **Explore UT 2017:** Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, 11 am- 5 pm, The University of Texas at Austin, Free, No Registration Required, visit <https://exploreut.utexas.edu> for more info.
- **PACE Summer Camp Expo:** Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>. More details to follow.
- **TAGT Family Night:** Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, Dulles HS. More details to follow.
- **Scratch Video Game Challenge:** Submit entries by April 17<sup>th</sup>. For more info, visit: <http://www.fortbendisid.com/Page/12181>



## RENEW YOUR PACE MEMBERSHIP!

- Your PACE membership is good for **one year** and gives you benefits such as communication from PACE (including this newsletter), membership to TAGT, and access to events such as PACE member open forums and lunch and learns. **Renew your membership online** at [www.pacefortbend.org](http://www.pacefortbend.org). If you are not sure when your membership expires or if you prefer to renew via mail, email [president@pacefortbend.org](mailto:president@pacefortbend.org). **Thank you for your continued support of PACE!**

## A LOOK BACK AND A LOOK FORWARD

- This fall, PACE was proud to present our “Lighting the Spark” lunch and learn in September, designed to help parents learn about enrichment opportunities offered to gifted students in Fort Bend ISD, as well as our “Evening of Improv and Brain Games” in November, designed to help both parents and children use their creativity and thinking skills. Both of these events were well attended and showed the PACE board that gifted parents in Fort Bend ISD are looking for **“more.”** More ways to enrich their child’s education. More ways for their children to be creative. More ways to help their children grow. More ways for parents to ask questions and get answers. PACE wants you to know that we are here to help your family. The PACE Board is made up of parents who are also looking for more, not just in quantity, but in quality. Together, we can make this a reality. **Contact us today.**

## FIND PACE ONLINE

- **WEBPAGE:**  
[HTTP://PACEFORTBEND.ORG](http://pacefortbend.org)
- **FACEBOOK GROUP:** PACEFORTBEND



## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

- <https://www.nagc.org/blog/importance-parent-intuition-and-observation-recognizing-highly-creative-children>: “The Importance of Parent Intuition and Observation in Recognizing Highly Creative Children”
- <https://globalgtchatpoweredbytagt.wordpress.com/2016/09/25/avoiding-arguments-with-gifted-kids/>: “Avoiding Arguments With Gifted Kids”
- <http://giftedchallenges.blogspot.com/2016/10/boredom-and-gifted-child-challenging.html>: “Boredom, School, and the Gifted Child: Challenging its Inevitability”
- [http://www.postandcourier.com/news/springfield-elementary-tries-out-gifted-and-talented-teaching-for-all/article\\_01be8724-a787-11e6-ab2f-93f52d1a8860.html](http://www.postandcourier.com/news/springfield-elementary-tries-out-gifted-and-talented-teaching-for-all/article_01be8724-a787-11e6-ab2f-93f52d1a8860.html): “Springfield Elementary Tries Out Gifted-and-Talented Teaching for All Students”
- <http://bigstory.ap.org/article/422d1b65901a4dc8843ed498866c43fc/should-i-grade-skip-my-gifted-child>: “Should I grade skip my gifted child?”

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