



I AM A NEW TEACHER TO CFISD TEACHING GIFTED STUDENTS



- ❖ I am a teacher new to Cypress Fairbanks ISD
 - Access this link to see what training is required to obtain your certification.
<http://www.cfisd.net/dept2/curricu/gifted/certification.pdf>
 - If you have been teaching but are new to CFISD, you may have completed training in gifted education. If you provide the HORIZONS department with **copies** of your certificates, transcripts, and or documentation of your training, we will review the information and apply credit accepted by CFISD toward the required 30 hour training in gifted education.
 - Advanced Placement workshops may meet requirements to get GT course credit and may be submitted for review.
- ❖ I already have my GT teacher certification (from another district) or (from state certification)
 - The Supplemental Gifted and Talented TExES Certificates **do not** satisfy nor will be used in lieu of the required 30-hours of GT training.
 - Submit all of your documentation of GT training to Sandy Beehner, HORIZONS Dept.. She will review the information and contact you if additional GT teacher training is necessary to obtain your CFISD GT teacher certification.
- ❖ I need additional GT training for the CFISD GT teacher certification
 - Attending campus training offered for GT credit is a good way to get a few hours of GT credit training towards your initial 30 hour requirement.
- ❖ Finding GT training courses
 - The CFISD staff development system (CFLMS-Avatar) will provide you with available GT teacher training being offered by CFISD and the Houston Area Coop. This is a service free to teachers.
 - Region IV provides GT training courses including on-line training. There is a fee for this service, not reimbursed by the district office.

<http://cyfair.avatarlms.com/login.html>

http://www.escweb.net/tx_esc_04/default.aspx



- ❖ In addition to submitting any documentation of GT teacher training to the HORIZONS department you would need to add this training to your CFISD staff development transcript. Once submitted the HORIZONS Coordinator would have to approve the course for professional development credit. Be sure you have submitted appropriate documentation to Sandra.Beehner@cfisd.net.
 - Instructions on how to add out-of-district staff development to your transcript and submit for approval can be found at the following link:
<http://www.cfisd.net/dept2/staffdev/Instructions%20for%20Requesting%20Approval%20for%20Adding%20an%20Out-of.pdf>
- ❖ When do I need to complete my GT teacher training
 - All teachers of gifted students should complete required training prior to the beginning of the school year.
 - The state allows for teachers to complete the 30 hours of training within the semester they begin teaching identified gifted students.
- ❖ Who on my campus can assist me with submitting the right documentation
 - If you are an elementary teacher, your campus principal is responsible for assuring all teachers teaching the gifted student obtains their GT teacher certification.
 - If you are a secondary teacher, your campus Director of Instruction is your 1st resource for information.

Questions? Please do not hesitate to contact the HORIZONS Department:

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