



The Gifted Child Society

Cyber Saturday Workshop Program Policy

The information provided herein comprises **The Gifted Child Society (TGCS) Cyber Saturday Workshop Program Policy**, for all active and registered TGCS Members children and three year olds, their parents, and/or guardians. This policy discloses the terms for The Cyber Saturday Workshop program, described below. If our policy changes in the future, we will let you know by providing revised policies during registration, from time to time. By registering your eligible gifted child for Membership with TGCS and/or participation in TGCS programs, you agree to the terms listed below.

THE CYBER SATURDAY WORKSHOP PROGRAM / EVENT POLICY

To participate in **The Cyber Saturday Workshop**, a child four years and older must meet TGCS eligibility requirements and be a TGCS Member in good standing with TGCS (refer to TGCS Eligibility / Membership Policy & The Cyber Saturday Workshop Course catalog).

Three-year-old children may participate in **The Cyber Saturday Workshop for Three Year Olds** without eligibility evaluation (i.e., TGCS Membership is not required).

Participation and registration for TGCS programs is on a first-come, first-served basis. Early registration is encouraged and availability of first course selections is not guaranteed. Once the maximum enrollment in a course or program is reached, it will be closed to new registrants.

Class sizes are limited as TGCS strives to maintain an optimal student-teacher ratio for TGCS course delivery. Maximum class sizes will be upheld in support of these ratios. If a minimum class size is not reached, courses may be cancelled, at which point parents/guardians will be contacted to choose an alternate course(s).

All students are expected to attend programs/classes as scheduled. Parents/guardians should communicate expected or unexpected absences to TGCS Management via email to admin@gifted.org.

There are no makeup dates for any classes, programs, or events missed or cancelled.

THE CYBER SATURDAY WORKSHOP CLASSROOMS

The Cyber Saturday Workshop Program operates via live, TGCS virtual classrooms, led by TGCS-trained instructors. Registered student's parents/guardians are emailed cyber invitations and links for courses, just prior to the start of the session. Student participation requires a MAC or PC with webcam/audio, and an active, high-speed internet connection. Please connect 3-5 minutes prior to each class day, to ensure your student joins classes on time. Email admin@gifted.org if you do not receive the invitation one day prior to classes. PLEASE NOTE: Parent participation is required for students in preschool through 1st/2nd grades.

THE CYBER SATURDAY WORKSHOP PRICING & SPECIAL DISCOUNTS

Pricing for The Cyber Saturday Workshop is listed in The Cyber Saturday Workshop Course Catalog. Visit the TGCS website to download the current program catalog, www.gifted.org.

ADDING COURSES OR MAKING CHANGES TO AN EXISTING REGISTRATION

Students may add a course(s) after program registration has been processed. Course addition requests should be emailed as early as possible to admin@gifted.org.

NOTE: There are no course changes allowed after the first week of the session. TGCS will work with your child to address any issues or concerns that may arise. Should a student wish to change a course, parents/guardians must contact TGCS by Monday noon after the first day of classes to request a change. A change fee of \$40 will be charged for each course change. Change requests should be emailed to admin@gifted.org.

PROGRAM/COURSE/ACTIVITY/EVENT/SERVICE CANCELLATIONS BY TGCS

TGCS reserves the right to cancel any program, course, activity, event, and/or service that lacks sufficient enrollment or for any unforeseen conditions. Although every effort is made to deliver each program as planned and scheduled, TGCS does not accept responsibility for staff, curriculum, or other conditions that are beyond its control.

REFUND POLICY & PRACTICES

Because The Gifted Child Society (TGCS) must hire and train staff, develop advanced curricula well in advance of program sessions, procure course materials, pay for facilities, overhead, insurance, staffing, establish a virtual network for the entire program, and other necessary operating costs required to run this program, the TGCS Refund Policy for all TGCS programming is as follows:

- 1) Annual TGCS Membership dues, registration fees, materials fees, applicable change course fees, credit card fees, and other related fees are non-refundable.
- 2) There are no refunds for any classes or days missed by a registered individual during or after the duration of any TGCS program or event.
- 3) There are no refunds for program suspensions or closures resulting from inclement weather, unforeseen emergency, and/or other unexpected events, including government-mandated lockdowns due to federal, state, or local emergencies, including pandemics and other emergency situations.
- 4) There are no refunds for internet disruptions, lagging, disconnections or any other interrupted virtual systems, applications, other sources or platforms for virtual learning, and/or other unexpected events. In the event in-person programming and activities may resume (TBA), there are no refunds for facilities closures resulting from inclement weather, unforeseen emergency, and/or other unexpected events.
- 5) There are no refunds for registered students who are suspended or dismissed from TGCS programs and/or TGCS Membership due to Member Not in Good Standing status (see TGCS Membership Policy).
- 6) If TGCS cancels a program or event before the session begins, TGCS will issue a refund of tuition paid.
- 7) The refund policy for **The Cyber Saturday Workshop** is as follows:
 - a. Refund Policy 1-6 above, plus
 - b. There are no tuition refunds for dropped classes or program withdrawals after the first day of classes, once the program session begins.
 - c. If a student registration is withdrawn prior to 15 days of program start date, a 50% refund of tuition will be issued.
 - d. If a student registration is withdrawn less than 15 days prior to program start date, there is no refund of tuition issued.

CLOSED SITE POLICY

TGCS Closed Site Policy requires that no unauthorized persons, including parents and guardians, are allowed access to programs and classes while they are in session, even within a cyber instruction network, without prior permission from TGCS management. It is of utmost importance that the safety of all campers is secured at all times.

TGCS MEMBER COMMUNICATION POLICY

Upon activating your child's TGCS annual Membership and/or registering your child for TGCS programs and/or events, parents/guardians automatically authorize TGCS to use the email(s) you provided at time of activation and/or registration for ongoing TGCS use, at TGCS discretion.

NOTE: Email is the primary form of communication Members receive regarding for TGCS programs, events, and all related activities. Members may choose to opt out of receiving emails from TGCS by choosing the opt-out option at the end of emails received.

Please be sure to add TGCS email to your contact list: admin@gifted.org to ensure receipt of all TGCS communications.

NOTE: If Members opt out, emails from TGCS will no longer be received and important program and other communication will no longer be received by you.

TGCS MEDIA CONSENT POLICY

Upon activating your child's TGCS annual Membership and/or registering your child for TGCS programs, events, and other activities, parents/guardians automatically provide permission to and authorize TGCS to use your child's images, audio, and/or video on an ongoing basis, in perpetuity, for TGCS promotional materials, website, and other media, at TGCS discretion. TGCS does not use names or personal information of any child without the consent of parent/guardian.

Parents/guardians also authorize that all images, audio, and/or video submitted by parents/guardians and/or produced by TGCS of children in classes and other activities during TGCS program sessions may be reproduced, distributed, modified, and publicly displayed in any medium now known or later developed by TGCS. All above defined photos, videos, and other media are property of TGCS.

NOTE: Images, audio, and/or video of TGCS Members are used to promote TGCS programs and services for prospective future Members. Current Members may opt out of TGCS media consent by submitting a written request to TGCS Management via email to admin@gifted.org or regular mail to the address shown below.

TGCS INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

TGCS management designs all TGCS curricula tailored to the specific needs of gifted children. The materials and content used by TGCS in TGCS classrooms, in-person or virtual, represent the intellectual property of TGCS and may not be disseminated or reproduced in any form for public or private distribution (e.g., uploading to websites, sale, exchange, etc.) without written permission of TGCS. TGCS content and course materials include all written or electronic documents and materials, including syllabi, current and past instructional materials, presentations such as lectures, videos, PowerPoints, etc. and all other material provided by or used by a TGCS instructor or member of TGCS management. TGCS content and course materials may only be used by students enrolled in the TGCS course or program, for TGCS course- or program-related purposes. TGCS content and course materials that have been published in print or on the internet are TGCS-copyrighted material and are protected by copyright law. Any unauthorized use of TGCS intellectual property will be pursued with authorities to the fullest extent of the law.

TECH REQUIREMENTS FOR PARTICIPATION IN TGCS VIRTUAL LEARNING CLASSROOMS

Students need a MAC or PC with webcam/audio, and an active internet connection to participate in TGCS virtual learning classrooms. Parents / guardians of registered students will receive invitations for their student to join learning sessions via an email to the parent's or guardian's email address.

Parents/guardians should ensure that an accurate and current email address is provided for these invitations. It is the responsibility of students and parents/guardians to provide update email addresses, should they change during a program session.

Students should connect 5 minutes prior to the class to ensure they join classes on time. Parents/guardians should email the TGCS Help Desk if they do not receive the invitation one day prior to classes.

TGCS CYBER & COMPUTER SYSTEMS ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY

TGCS and the TGCS community is encouraged to make innovative and creative use of information technologies in support of education and the curricula introduced by TGCS. TGCS recognizes the importance of copyright material and encourages TGCS students and families who utilize this material to protect the rights of the creators of intellectual property and to prevent the unauthorized use or sale of works available in the private sector.

TGCS network and other system resources are to be used only for TGCS-related communication, instruction, activities, learning enrichment, dissemination of academic information, and administrative activities. When used properly, these tools enhance the overall experience for TGCS students and TGCS. When used improperly, unlawfully, or inappropriately, these tools can infringe on others' rights. TGCS encourages all TGCS students and family members to use electronic communications in a manner that is respectful and follows all federal and state laws governing internet and other cyber use. TGCS is not responsible for any non-TGCS party not adhering to federal or state laws before, during, and/or after TGCS instructional programming in is progress. TGCS is also not responsible for a student's, student's friend's or family member's release of personal information on the internet that may result in invasion of privacy, identity theft, and other possible dangers from internet usage.

TGCS students and families are responsible for ensuring the computers you own are properly maintained, including having up-to-date anti-virus protection and operating systems patches. TGCS is not responsible for any unexpected or unknown virus or other damaging internet-related entity that may invade your own computer or internet connectivity. Internet and other third-party applications, resources, and support are not in the control of TGCS and TGCS is not responsible for any questionable or infectious systems that may negatively effect your own computer or systems in use during TGCS instructional programming.

TGCS students are responsible and accountable for all use and security of the electronic resources you own or use, including but not limited to computer account(s), passwords, personal computer(s), electronic data, and network access. You should make appropriate use of software, system and network-provided protection features and take precautions against obtaining access to your computer resources. TGCS students are responsible for all Net IDs, accounts, and passwords assigned for your use. Passwords should never be shared. TGCS is not responsible for any negative actions resulting from a TGCS student's, a friend's, or family member's actions.

Overall, TGCS expects TGCS students to conduct themselves responsibly with network privileges and other systems and applications accesses, consistent with the above TGCS policies and other applicable state and federal laws. Abuse of computing or networking privileges is subject to disciplinary actions, up to and including dismissal from TGCS programming and/or TGCS Membership.

RELEASE AND INDEMNIFICATION

In exchange for an opportunity to participate in this program, the child and parent(s) / legal guardian(s) of the child-participant assume all risk and hereby release, wave, discharge, and covenant not to sue TGCS and further agree to indemnify and hold harmless TGCS, its present and former affiliates, governing board, officers, directors, trustees, agents, employees, and volunteers (the "Releasees") from and against any and all claims,

demands, causes of action (known or unknown), suits, or judgements of any and every kind (including attorneys fees), arising from any injury, accident, illness, infectious disease, or death, or any loss to or damage to personal property arising out of, directly or indirectly, participation in the program, regardless of whether the injury, damage, or death is caused by the Releases or other participants, unless the injury, damage, or death is caused by the Releasees' intentional acts, and regardless of whether the injury, damage, or death occurs while in, on, upon, or in transit to or from the premises where the activity, or any adjunct activity, occurs or is being conducted. Releasees are not in any way responsible for any injury or damage that the child-participant may sustain as a result of a parent's or legal guardian's own negligent acts. If any provision of this Release is void, all remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

HOW TO CONTACT US

If you have any questions about the above Policy, you may contact us at:

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