

GATE Department's Newsletter

February 2021



Where is GATE taking us?



February GATE

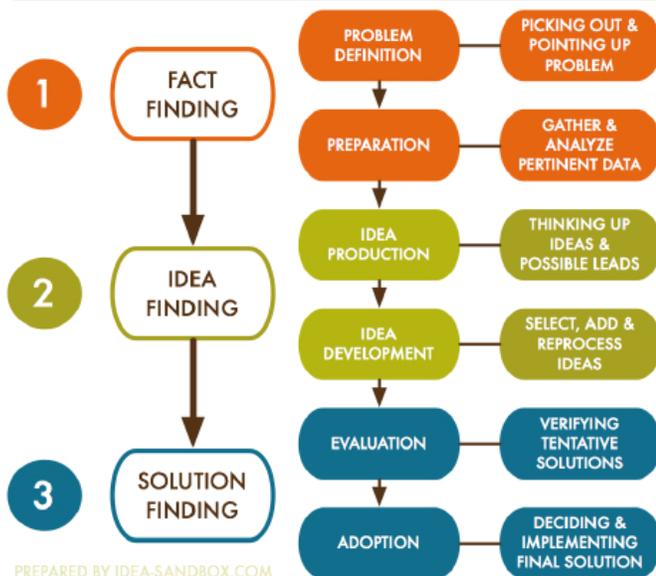
GS2. Students will develop an understanding of broad base issues, themes, or problems within interdisciplinary and multicultural contexts.

GS7. Students will develop products that will refine or challenge existing ideas, incorporate concepts, and use techniques, materials, forms, and knowledge in innovative ways.

Curriculum

This month, students will continue their journey around the world by exploring the continents of Europe and Antarctica. This unit was designed with student choice in mind. When visiting Europe, will they choose to investigate a case with Sherlock Holmes, create a convincing Picasso or Van Gogh look-a-like to “lure a serial art thief”, or use their wit and logic to design an improved gameboard for the French military game, Hare & Hounds?

CREATIVE PROBLEM SOLVING PROCESS : OSBORN



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In addition to learning about various cultural aspects from these two incredible continents and making meaningful connections to their own lives, students are learning to think critically about the information they encounter. Using De Bono's Six Thinking Hats and Osborn's Creative Problem Solving Process, students are encouraged to see the world through multiple lenses, seek solutions for relevant issues, and embrace their curiosity!

GATE Wish List for Remote Learning:

- A quiet space to work without distractions
- Something to write ON and something to write WITH (e.g. paper/pencil, dry erase board/marker)
- General art supplies, such as scissors, crayons, colored pencils, etc.

Curiosity is the essence
of human existence.

Gene Cernati



5th Grade Families

All families of fifth grade students that have previously qualified for self-contained GATE have received a mailed and emailed copy of your student's placement statement for middle school. The due date is on your child's placement statement. If you have any questions, please contact the GATE Department by email at GATEdept@tusd1.org.

GATE Testing

All GATE Testing is currently on hold until further notice. Please contact the GATE Department for any questions or clarifications by email at GATEdept@tusd1.org.

Student Self-Care Idea

Try it this week!

{ SELF-ESTEEM }
journal

MONDAY

SOMETHING I DID WELL TODAY...

TUESDAY

I FELT GOOD ABOUT MYSELF WHEN...

WEDNESDAY

I HAD A POSITIVE EXPERIENCE WITH...

THURSDAY

3 GOOD THINGS ABOUT ME ARE...

FRIDAY

SOMETHING I DID FOR SOMEONE...

SATURDAY

TODAY I ACHIEVED...

SUNDAY

TODAY I OVERCAME...



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BRAIN CHALLENGE

Riddle:

You can see me in water, but I never get wet. What am I?

Sudoku:

		3	6		
	2				4
5				6	
	3				5
3				1	
		1	4		

Can any parents relate? THANK YOU again to all our supportive parents!

Schooling At My House

