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## **Is Your Preschooler Gifted?**

There is no one profile that characterizes all gifted preschoolers just as there is no “line in the sand” that we can draw to separate bright from gifted children.

Some gifted preschoolers teach themselves to read at 3 years old. Some gifted children aren’t ready to learn to read until 8 years old. Explore characteristics of gifted learners such as asynchrony, high energy, intensity, and creativity that may prevent them from fitting in with their peers.

Learn why ADHD misdiagnoses are common among gifted children.

Real world examples will be presented to give an overview of the characteristics of giftedness and the implications for identification.

### **About the Presenter:**

Prior to joining Hope College and the University of Connecticut as an adjunct faculty member, Rebecca Mann served as a Clinical Associate Professor at Purdue University. While at Purdue, Rebecca directed Saturday and summer programs for gifted youth in PreK through 12<sup>th</sup> grade. In addition, she coordinated and taught in the graduate level gifted education licensure program. She was honored with the College of Education Faculty Teaching Award in 2010. Prior to her doctoral studies at the University of Connecticut, for which she received the National Association for Gifted Children’s Doctoral Student Award, she worked as a gifted resource teacher and elementary and middle school classroom teacher in Colorado and New Hampshire, where she was named 2001 New Hampshire Educator of the Year of the Gifted

**This FREE presentation is open to the public.**

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**7 p.m.**

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