



## If Our Child is so Smart, Why Aren't Our Lives Easier? An Evening with Dr. Linda Silverman

<b>Facilitator(s):</b>	Linda Silverman
<b>Date:</b>	April 20, 2017
<b>Time:</b>	7:00 pm – 8:30 pm
<b>Cost:</b>	No charge
<b>Location:</b>	Edmonton (Lynnwood School) 15451 84 Avenue NW
<b>Session Code:</b>	17-PA-323



### Target Audience

Parents of Gifted Children

### About this Learning Opportunity

Gifted children are expensive and time-consuming. They usually need less sleep than you do, ask more questions than you can answer, want 100 percent of your attention 24 hours a day, have obsessive hobbies, react intensely to everything, endlessly long for a best friend who understands them completely, hold perfectionistic standards for themselves and you, want to know the meaning of life when other children only want to know how to whistle, and keep their bedrooms in a condition you can never show company.

In order to be the perfect parent, you need unlimited funds, unlimited patience, an encyclopedic mind, and someone to sleep for you.

In this session, we will be discussing such issues as coping with the characteristics of giftedness; siblings and birth order; understanding introversion; gender issues; and keys to successful parenting. You will receive an owner's manual, "Guidelines for Parents of the Gifted," which contains suggestions for harmonious family life. There will be a question and answer period, but I don't have all the answers. **Trust Yourself!** No one knows your child better than you do.

### About the Facilitator(s)

**Linda Kreger Silverman, Ph.D.**, is a licensed clinical and counseling psychologist. She directs the Institute for the Study of Advanced Development, and its subsidiaries, the Gifted Development Center [[www.gifteddevelopment.com](http://www.gifteddevelopment.com)] and Visual-Spatial Resource [[www.visualspatial.org](http://www.visualspatial.org)], in Denver, Colorado.

In the last 37 years, she has studied over 6,300 children who have been assessed at GDC, the largest data bank on this population. This research enabled the creation of extended norms on the WISC-IV. Her Ph.D. is in educational psychology and special education from the University of Southern California. For nine years, she served on the faculty of the University of Denver in counseling psychology and gifted education. She has been studying the psychology and education of the gifted since 1961 and has written over 300 articles, chapters and books, including *Counseling the Gifted and Talented*, *Upside-Down Brilliance: The Visual-Spatial Learner*, *Advanced Development: A Collection of Works on Gifted Adults* and *Giftedness 101* (translated into Swedish and Korean).