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Congratulations

The Challenge Program would like to congratulate two of its finest high school teachers, Charles Herber and Terry Jackson, for winning the prestigious Golden Apple Award. Mr. Herber sponsors the student newspaper and teaches 12th grade Honors/AP English. His students' senior projects have been exceptional. Mr. Jackson teaches art at Jefferson High School. His work with the Challenge Art Program is known state-wide. His students have won many scholarships and awards. The Challenge Program is fortunate to have these two dedicated and talented teachers. Kudos to both of you!!!

Testing for Spring 2005

BROADBASED PLANNING TEAM SCHEDULE 2005

January 18-21, Otis-Lennon School Ability Test for Grade 1 .

April 18-22, NWEA testing for grades 2-5.

April 25-29, NWEA testing for grades 6-8 , and Linnwood/Murdock grades 2-5

Important Dates for **High** School and Middle School Students:

SAT: SITE @ Jeff H.S.

Test Date: _____ Reg. Deadline:

Jan. 22 Dec. 20

Mar. 12 Feb. 7

May 7 Mar. 25

June 4 Apr. 29

ACT: SITE @ JEFF H.S.

Feb. 12 Jan. 7

June 11 May 6

The Broad Based Planning Team meetings are scheduled for the following dates:

- **January 26**, Wednesday
- **March 16**, Wednesday.

All meetings are scheduled to begin at **3:45 pm.**, and will be held at the **Hiatt Administration Center**. Parents, teachers, counselors, administrators and interested community members are invited to attend.

Other Important Challenge Program Dates

- **January 26**, Gr. 8 Students/Parents Honors/AP Course Orientation. 7:00pm Jeff H.S. Auditorium
- **February 4**, Super Saturday Registration deadline. Information in Challenge Off.
- **March 1**, Kindergarten Parents' Challenge Program Orientation, 6:30pm at Hiatt Administration Center
- **March 8**, Gr. 1 Parents' Challenge Program Orientation, 6:30pm at Edgelea El. Media Center



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**“Genius is one per cent inspiration
and ninety-nine per cent
perspiration”**

Thomas A. Edison, 1931



2005 IAG Conference February 16-17

The Indiana Association for the Gifted and the Indiana Department of Education, Division of Exceptional Learners, are pleased to sponsor the following evening session during the Rigor and Relevance Conference

Dr. Del Siegle—University of Connecticut

“Top Ten Tips for Parenting Achievement-Oriented Children”

Why are some gifted and talented children willing to tackle new challenges, while others seem insecure or uninterested? Are there parenting tips that promote an achievement-oriented attitude with them? While there are many factors that contribute to achievement, children who are achievement-oriented exhibit four key traits. First, and foremost, they believe that they have the skills to perform well. Second, they expect that they can succeed. Third, they enjoy what they are doing or believe that what they are doing will produce beneficial outcomes for them. Finally, they set realistic expectations and implement appropriate strategies to successfully complete their goals. We'll discuss how to promote these four factors with gifted and talented students.

**Wednesday, February 16, 2005
7:00 - 8:30 PM**

This session is open to the public - please encourage parent attendance.

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