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Illinois Association for Gifted Children

For this special Parent and Educator Coffee and Conversation!

Wednesday, September 13, 2023
6:30-8 p.m. CT (virtual zoom event)



“Reimagine Education and Future Career with Generative AI”

Keynote speakers:

- [Andy Beatman](#) – Azure AI Senior Product Marketing Manager at Microsoft
- [Eric Calvert](#) – Associate Director – Center for Talent Development at Northwestern University

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ANDY BEATMAN, MICROSOFT

- **Andy Beatman**, is a seasoned AI professional with over 15 years of experience in product marketing. Currently, Andy is a Senior Product Marketing Manger at Microsoft, where he specializes in generative AI, including ChatGPT.
- Prior to this role, he has held several other product marketing positions at top companies such as Amazon, Havas, and TripAdvisor.
- Andy is deeply passionate about AI for accessibility and inclusion and has written numerous articles showcasing how Azure AI is helping people in their daily lives and professional settings. He is particularly inspired by the ways in which AI can help people with disabilities thrive in the workplace.
- Outside of work he enjoys spending quality family time with his wife and 2-year-old, playing basketball, and making predictions about the future.





ERIC CALVERT, NORTHWESTERN CTD

Eric Calvert, Ed.D., is Associate Director of the Center for Talent Development at Northwestern University where he oversees the nation's longest-running online learning program specifically for gifted and academically advanced students. He also teaches courses in Online and Hybrid Learning Design in Northwestern's School of Education and Social Policy and leads the Online Consortium for Accelerating Middle School (Project OCCAMS), which leverages technology to support compacted, culturally responsive language arts curriculum to support successful acceleration of students in diverse schools.

He also developed and taught graduate courses in digital learning theory and research methods for the Bowling Green State University College of Technology. Previously, he served as state director for gifted education and global education at the Ohio Department of Education where he led development of the state's policy on academic acceleration which has since become a national model.

He also previously served as Director of Youth Programs at Purdue University's Gifted Education Resource Institute where he developed Purdue's first hybrid course for pre-service teachers. As a policy wonk and activist for talent development-friendly education policies, he has served on the governing board of the Ohio Association for Gifted Children, as Policy and Advocacy co-chair for the Illinois Association for Gifted Children, and as a current member of the Georgia Association for Gifted Children-led Coalition for Equity and Access. His paper on underachievement among bright learners with co-authors Paula Olszewski-Kubilius and Saiying Steenburgen-Hu was recently awarded Paper of the Year and Paper of the Decade by the National Association for Gifted Children & Gifted Child Quarterly.