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# *You are invited to attend our Gifted Lecture Series*

**Monday, November 21, 2016 at 6:30 PM at**

**Choice School for Gifted Children**

20451 Westminster Highway N

Richmond, BC V6V 1B3

*Joanna Thackwray: Introduction to Executive Functioning*



Joanna Thackwray is a Pediatric Occupational Therapist who graduated from the University of British Columbia in 1999. She began her career in pediatrics at The BC Centre for Ability in Vancouver where she worked both in the Early Intervention Program (0 - 5 year olds) and in the School Therapy Program in North and West Vancouver. She currently works as the Occupational Therapist at Choice School for the Gifted, as well as running her own pediatric private practice in Richmond, BC. Joanna has worked extensively with children with a variety of learning challenges, and has a professional interest in working with children with difficulties with executive functioning, emotional regulation and sensory processing in order to assist them in being successful in the school environment. Joanna provides occupational therapy to the children she works with, and consults with parents and educators to help develop appropriate accommodations, programming and classroom environments to support individual student differences.

The presentation will provide an introduction to executive functioning, explain why executive functioning skills are important, why some gifted learners struggle with executive functioning, and provide some suggestions about how parents can support their children in learning executive functioning skills.

**Admission is free and free childcare is provided.  
Please RSVP: 604-273-2418 or [office@choiceschool.org](mailto:office@choiceschool.org)**

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