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*Dear EPGY Parent,*

We know through decades of research at Stanford University that the most advanced students deserve the most advanced learning technology to help unlock their full potential. That's why, as we set out to upgrade the EPGY program, we sought the world's brightest innovators to meet the unique needs of today's gifted, digital-native students.

We're excited introduce our colleagues at Redbird Advanced Learning, a passionate group of educators, innovators and researchers driven to harness the power of technology to meet the unique needs of individual learners.

We are working together to upgrade EPGY's technology while keeping the program's rigorous instructional underpinnings intact. Guided by both foundational and ongoing research at Stanford, the next generation of EPGY will address each of the areas that we've heard from you matter the most:

- You Wanted: **Evolved educational technology.**
- We're Developing: Multimedia instruction with a modern look. Mobile and tablet accessible versions of our most popular courses will soon allow seamless integration with all the devices in your home.
  
- You Wanted: **Additional instructional strategies.**
- We're Developing: The latest in adaptive instruction, advanced assessments, and digital project-based learning to evoke the highest level of complex problem solving from your student, particularly for STEM subjects.
  
- You Wanted: **Open lines of communication with students and parents.**
- We're Developing: An unparalleled online portal for advanced learners, parents and educators. EPGY will be launching GIFTEDANDTALENTED.COM in July, featuring community forums for students and parents and providing an unmatched cache of new online courses, resources, research and support tailored to the unique needs of gifted and talented students and their families.

While we make great strides to continue enhancing the EPGY program on our side, EPGY will remain the same for you and your student. The rich pedagogy that underpins the program is – and will remain – in place. A growing body of research at Stanford, continues to ensure that our courses provide the very best in personalized learning for gifted students.

We will be sharing regular updates on our progress via email and on our website, including demos and previews of what's to come. As always, we want to hear from you! Send your questions, comments or feedback to [info@epgy.stanford.edu](mailto:info@epgy.stanford.edu).

*Regards,*

*The Stanford EPGY Team*