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Resource Guide

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Dear Families,

We hope that you find this resource guide helpful to you and your family. There are various programs that are listed here that we are sure will be of interest to you. Feel free to share this guide with friends and family members. Please note that although this listing was compiled by A Better Chance the programs listed are not affiliated with A Better Chance. We make no guarantees of the services offered. If you have any questions about any of these programs please contact them directly.

Sincerely,

The College Preparatory Schools Program Staff

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Charter Schools in New York

For more information about Charter Schools in New York, please check out the New York City Charter School Center at <http://www.nycchartercenter.org>. Check out www.insideschools.org for a guide about NYC public schools. The site offers a lot of information like details about Gifted and Talented Programs.

Bronx

Bronx Academy of Promise Charter School
www.bronxacademyofpromise.org
(718) 681-8275

Green Dot New York Charter School
<http://www.greendot.org/newyork/home>
(718) 585-0560

Bronx Preparatory Charter School
<http://www.bronxprep.org/index.html>
718-294-0841

Carl C. Icahn Charter School
<http://www.ccics.org/>
718-716-8105

Harriet Tubman Charter School
www.htcskids.org
718-537-9912

Hyde Leadership Charter School
www.hydebronxny.org
718-991-5500

International Leadership Charter School
www.ilchs.org
718-562-2300

KIPP Academy Charter School
www.kippacademyny.org
718-665-3555

Brooklyn

Beginning with Children Charter School
www.bwccschool.org
718-388-8847

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Brooklyn Excelsior Charter School
www.brooklynexcelsiorcharterschool.org
718-246-5681

Explore Charter School
www.explorecharterschool.org
718-703-4484

Williamsburg Charter High School
www.thewcs.org
718-782-9830

Manhattan

Democracy Preparatory Charter School
www.democracyprep.org
212-281-1248

Future Leaders Institute Charter School
www.futureleadersinstitute.org
212-678-2868

Harbor Sciences and Arts Charter School
www.harborcharterschool.com
212-427-2244 ext. 627

Harlem Village Academy Charter School
www.villageacademies.org
646-812-9300

KIPP Infinity Charter School
www.kippinfinity.org
212-991-2600

KIPP Star College Prep Charter School
www.kippstar.org
212-991-2650

Leadership Village Academy Charter School
www.villageacademies.org
646-812-9400

New Heights Academy Charter School
www.newheightsacademy.org
212-283-5400

Opportunity Charter School
www.opportunitycharter.org
212-866-6137

Ross Global Academy Charter School
www.rossglobalacademy.org
212-374-3884

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John V. Lindsay Wildcat Academy Charter School
www.jvlwildcat.org
212-209-6146; 718-328-1409

Queens

Our World Neighborhood Charter School
www.owncs.org
718-392-3405

Renaissance Charter School
www.renaissancecharter.org
718-803-0060

Charter Schools in New Jersey

For more information about Charter Schools in New Jersey, please check out the Charter Schools link on the State of New Jersey Department of Education website at <http://www.nj.gov/education/chartsch/>.

Bergen County

Bergen Arts and Science Charter School
<http://www.bergencharter.org>
(973) 253-0002 ext. 200

Teaneck Community Charter School
<http://www.tccsnj.org>
(201) 833-9600

Essex County

Discovery Charter School
<http://www.discoverylearningcenter.org>
(973) 623-0222

Gray Charter School
(973) 824-6661

Greater Newark Charter School (formerly Newark, Greater Newark Academy Charter School)
<http://www.greaternewarkcharterschool.org>
(973) 242-3543 ext. 20

Lady Liberty Academy Charter School
<http://www.ladylibertyacademy.org>
(973) 623-9005

Maria L. Varisco-Rogers Charter School
<http://www.mvrogerscharter.org>
(973) 481-9001

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Marion P. Thomas Charter School

<http://www.mptcs.org>

(973) 621-0060

North Star Academy Charter School of Newark

<http://www.northstaracademy.org>

(973) 642-0101

Pride Academy Charter School

<http://www.prideacs.org>

(973) 672-3200

Robert Treat Academy Charter School

<http://www.RobertTreatAcademy.org>

(973) 482-8811

TEAM Academy Charter School

<http://www.teamschools.org>

(973) 705-TEAM

Hudson County

Center for Responsible Economic and Technological Excellence Charter School (CREATE)

<http://www.create-hs.org>

(201) 413-1500

Elysian Charter School of Hoboken

<http://www.ecsnj.org>

(201) 876-0102

Hoboken Charter School

<http://www.hobokencs.org>

(201) 963-0222

Jersey City Community Charter School

<http://www.jccsonline.org>

(201) 433-2288

Jersey City Golden Door Charter School

<http://www.goldendoorschool.org>

(201) 795-4400 x3425

Learning Community Charter School

<http://www.lccsnj.org>

(201) 332-0900

Liberty Academy Charter School

<http://www.libertyacademy.org>

(201) 217-6771

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Soaring Heights Charter School
<http://www.soaringheightscharterschool.com>
(201) 434-4800

University Academy Charter High School
<http://www.njcu.edu/uachs>
(201) 200-3200

Monmouth County

Academy Charter High School
<http://www.academycharterhs.org>
(732) 681-8377

Hope Academy Charter School
<http://www.hopeacademycs.org>
(732) 988-4227

Red Bank Charter School
<http://www.redbankcharterschool.com>
(732) 450-2092

Morris County

Unity Charter School
<http://www.unity-nj.org>
(973) 292-1808

Passaic County

Classical Academy Charter School of Clifton
<http://www.classicalacademy.org>
(973) 278-7707

Paterson Charter School for Science and Technology
<http://www.pcsst.org>
(973) 247-0600

Union County

Central Jersey Arts Charter School
<http://www.cjacsarts.org>
(908) 753-0030

Queen City Academy Charter School
<http://www.queencity.edu/>
(908) 753-4700

Union County TEAMS (Technology, Engineering, Architecture, Math & Science) Charter School
<http://www.ucteams.org>
(908) 754-9043

Warren County

Ridge and Valley Charter School
<http://www.ridgeandvalley.org>
(908) 362-1114

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Opportunities in New York

ASPIRA of New York

<http://www.nyaspira.org>

(212) 564-6880

Hunter College

Hunter College Campus Schools (71 East 94th Street, NYC, 10128) are committed to serving academically gifted and intellectually gifted students. Both the elementary school and the high school are state funded, chartered by the Board of Trustees of the City University of New York and administered by Hunter College. The only entry year for elementary admission is Kindergarten. The elementary school is open only to Manhattan residents. The only entry year for the high school is seventh grade. The high school is open to all New York City residents. Descriptions of the schools and admissions information are available at the schools' websites.

HCES - Hunter College Elementary School

Contact: Terry Rodriguez, (212) 860-1401

HCESAdmit@hccs.hunter.cuny.edu

Web: <http://hces.hunter.cuny.edu>

HCHS - Hunter College High School

Contact: Steve Ortega, (212) 860-1261

HCHSAdmit@hccs.hunter.cuny.edu

Web: <http://hchs.hunter.cuny.edu>

Hunter College Summer Enrichment Program for the Gifted provides programs for gifted children in K-6. Contact the program director at 212-860-1289.

Hollingworth Science Camp provides summer science enrichment activities. To find out more about the program, please call 212-678-3851 or address your inquiry to:

Hollingworth Center Box 170
Teachers College, Columbia University
New York, New York 10027

Opportunities in New Jersey

Montclair Gifted and Talented Youth Program

Academically gifted/ talented youth programs. Offering over 60 enrichment courses for students grade 1-10. <http://www.montclair.edu/gifted/>

The Thomas J. Griffin Bridges Program

The Thomas J. Griffin Bridges Program provides academic, social, and financial assistance to academically deserving, financially limited, inner city students (residents of Newark, East Orange, Orange or Irvington) so that they may attend Seton Hall Prep. More than simply a scholarship, the Griffin Bridges Program provides support to the student and his family through a formal network of sponsors, mentors, big brothers, school administrators, and faculty whose efforts are coordinated by a full-time program director and a part-time social worker. This network, acting as

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a team, provides a distinct infrastructure to ensure that each student receives the support he needs to thrive.

973.325.6784

<http://setonhallprep.groupfusion.net/modules/cms/pages.phtml?pageid=8545>

Opportunities for Northeast Families

After-school programs:

Breakthrough New Haven
Breakthrough Cambridge
Breakthrough Providence
Citizen Schools
Boys & Girls Club of Boston
Boys & Girls Club of North Central MA
Girls Club of Springfield
Achieve @Noble & Greenough School
Step Forward - Step Ahead @Elms College (Springfield, MA)
MetroLacrosse (Boston)
Squashbusters (Boston)
CityKicks (Boston)
New England SCORES (Boston)

Charter Schools, etc:

Roxbury Prep Charter School (Boston)
Elm City College Prep Charter School (New Haven)
Amistad Academy Charter School (New Haven)
ISAAC School (New London)
Park City Prep Charter School (Bridgeport)
New Beginnings Family Academy Charter School (Bridgeport)
St Martin de Porres Academy (New Haven)
Esperanza Academy (Lawrence, MA)
Highlander Charter School (Providence)
Community Prep (Providence)
Excel Academy Charter School (East Boston)
Benjamin Banneker Charter School (Boston)
Mother Caroline Academy (Boston)
Nativity Prep (Boston)
Lawrence Family Development Charter School (Lawrence, MA)
Neighborhood House Charter School (Boston)
Robert M. Hughes Charter School (Springfield)
St. Brendan/St. Aedan School (New Haven)
Waterside School (Stamford)
Young Achievers Charter School (Boston)

High Schools:

North Cambridge Catholic HS (Boston) - includes internship program that helps pay tuition
Boston College HS (Boston)
Waldorf HS of Massachusetts Bay (Boston)
MATCH Charter Public HS (Boston)
Cathedral School (Boston)

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Tutoring:

Boston Learning Center (Boston)

Prep Programs:

Steppingstone (Boston)
Beacon Academy (Boston)
Reach Prep (southwest CT)

Misc:

Boston Scholars Program (gap funding) (Boston)
AISNE (Assoc of Independent Schools of New England) – Diversity School fair each October
Urban League of Southern CT – Diversity School fair in Stamford each September
ConnCan – Connecticut school advocacy group
Maine Children’s Scholarship Fund (for ME residents)
Maine Community Foundation (scholarships for ME residents)

Opportunities for Families in Southern California

Charter Schools

Wiseburn 21st Century Charter Schools
Da Vinci Schools
13500 Aviation Blvd.
Hawthorne, CA 90250
310-341-4188
www.wiseburncharters.org

The Accelerated School
4000 Main St.
Los Angeles, CA 90037
323-235-6343
www.accelerated.org

The Alliance for College-Ready Public Schools
www.laalliance.org/mission.html

Aspire Public Schools
Los Angeles Regional Office
323-583-5421
www.aspirepublicschools.org/schools/school_hp1.htm

Los Angeles Leadership Academy
668 South Catalina Street
Los Angeles, CA 90005
213-381-8484
www.laleadership.org/mission.html

The Open Magnet Charter School
5540 West 77th Street
Los Angeles, CA 90045
310-568-0735
www.opencharter.org

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Camino Nuevo Charter School (High School)
3500 W. Temple St.
Los Angeles, CA 90004
213-736-5566 or 1-888-990-CNCA (2622)
www.caminonuevo.org

Westwood Charter Elementary School
2050 Selby Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90025
310-474-7788
www.westwoodcharter.org

Green Door Public Schools (K-5 school)
350 South Figueroa Street, Suite 213
Los Angeles, CA 90071
213-621-0276

Green Dot has schools throughout Southern California. The above contact information is for the main office.

Synergy Charter Academy
Middle School Campus
1010 E. 34th Street
Los Angeles, CA 90011
323-233-8559
www.wearesynergy.org

Synergy will be opening the High School campus in 2011.

Other Organizations in Southern California

The Catholic Education Foundation

The Tuition Awards Program (TAP) is the heart of the Catholic Education Foundation providing tuition assistance to children from low income families in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles who desire a Catholic education.

www.cefdn.org

The Independent School Alliance for Minority Affairs in Southern California

Offers placement and support services to underrepresented students of color in both elementary and secondary schools.

Opportunities for Families in Texas

Resource for Charter Schools
www.charterstexas.org/
209 North Water
Suite 328
Corpus Christi, TX 78401
Ph: 361.561.8675
Fx: 361.561.8677

Please visit the website for Resource for Charter Schools for a comprehensive listing of schools throughout Texas.

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Summer Camp/Academic Programs/Weekend Programs

Many colleges and independent day and boarding schools offer summer programs that allow students to take classes and live on campus for part of the summer.

Center for Talent Development (CTD) at Northwestern University

The Summer Program at CTD offers students the chance to enjoy engaging courses on a college campus with intellectual peers. Enrichment, honors, and AP® courses are available for students completing Pre-K through grade 12. Residential opportunities begin in grade 4. Additionally, summer online courses are offered through CTD's Gifted Learning Links program.

617 Dartmouth Place
Evanston, Illinois 60208
847-491-3782
www.ctd.northwestern.edu

Davidson Institute for Talent Development

The Davidson Institute for Talent Development is committed to recognizing, nurturing and supporting profoundly gifted young people and to providing opportunities for them to develop their talents and to make a positive difference. The Davidson Institute provides support through the following services:

- The Davidson Academy of Nevada: The first free public school of its kind to serve profoundly gifted students. Eligible students must be at the middle or high school level and have tested in the 99.9th percentile on IQ or college entrance exams. Each student has an individualized learning plan that will enable their instructors to guide them through the appropriate level and pace of each curricular area. Students also have the opportunity to take undergraduate and graduate coursework at the University of Nevada, Reno as well as pursue research with professors.
- Davidson Young Scholars: A free, individualized program offering support services for profoundly gifted students between the ages of 5 and 18. Areas of assistance include educational advocacy, talent and interest development and peer connections. Financial assistance is available based on need.
- The THINK Summer Institute is a three-week residential summer program for 13- to 16-year-olds on the campus of the University of Nevada, Reno. Students enroll in university-level courses taught by University of Nevada professors where they can earn up to seven transferable college credits. Please check the website, www.THINKSummerInstitute.org for course offerings and application deadlines.
- Davidson Fellows: Each year high-achieving young people under the age of 18 have the opportunity to be named as a Davidson Fellow, an honor accompanied by a \$50,000, \$25,000 or \$10,000 scholarship in recognition of a significant piece of work in one of the following areas: science, technology, mathematics, music, literature, philosophy, or 'outside the box'. Applicants must submit an original piece of work recognized by experts in the field as significant, with the potential to make a positive contribution to society.

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- Educators Guild: A free national service for all teachers, counselors, administrators, GT coordinators and other education professionals who want to learn more about the unique academic needs of gifted students.
- GT-CyberSource: Access this gateway to gifted resources from the Davidson Institute's website. It offers a large searchable database that includes articles and resources, state's gifted policies and the latest news in gifted education – all available free to anyone with access to the Internet.
- Genius Denied: How to Stop Wasting our Bright Young Minds: Genius Denied is hailed as a “manifesto for change” for gifted education. This nationally-renowned book is co-authored by Jan and Bob Davidson, with Laura Vanderkam, and published by Simon & Schuster.

9665 Gateway Drive Ste. B
 Reno, Nevada 89521
 775-852-3483
www.davidson-institute.org

Duke TIP (Duke University Talent Identification Program)

Duke TIP's educational programs are residential summer programs designed to meet the intellectual and social needs of gifted students in grades 7-12. Programs are held on college campuses across the country and in field locations around the world. Duke TIP also offers an online e-Studies Program for 8-12 grade students. Financial aid is available for most programs. Applications, information and course offerings can be found at: www.tip.duke.edu.

SUMMER STUDIES PROGRAMS (grades 7-10)

In Duke TIP Summer Studies Programs, students learn highly challenging material at a rate suited to their advanced abilities. Students enroll in a single course for three weeks of in-depth study. Classes of approximately 16 students are taught by highly qualified Instructor-Teaching Assistant teams. Outside the classroom, a carefully selected residential staff supervises students during meals, free time, and social and recreational activities. Programs provide an unparalleled opportunity for young scholars to experience college classroom instruction and residence hall living. Campuses include Duke University, Duke Marine Lab, Appalachian State University, Davidson College, University of Kansas, and Texas A&M.

DOMESTIC & INTERNATIONAL FIELD STUDIES PROGRAMS (grades 9-12)

Duke TIP offers challenging adventures in science and humanities for motivated and dedicated students with a desire to learn in a unique setting. Each Field Study involves travel to a location that is ideal for research and creative exploration. 16 to 20 students participate in each Field Study, with a minimum of 3 staff members who remain with the students throughout the entire course. The combination of small classes, academic enthusiasm of staff, and the unique on-site opportunities make Field Studies some of the best experiential learning adventures available.

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INSTITUTES (grades 9-12)

Duke TIP Institutes are for motivated high school students looking for hands-on, real world experience. At the Leadership Institute (at Duke University), students discover their own leadership potential through study, discussion and service experience. At the Great Debates Institute (also at Duke University) students explore debate strategy and refine their public speaking skills through classroom instruction, in-depth research, teamwork, and debate preparation and delivery. The Global Dialogues Institute (at Wake Forest University), is where students study and learn to understand the complex and urgent challenges facing the world today.

e-STUDIES PROGRAM (grades 8-12)

e-Studies courses are online, interactive distance learning programs. Students connect with instructors, course material and 10-15 classmates from around the world in virtual “classrooms”. Courses run in the fall and spring (16-week sessions), as well as in the summer (8-week session). e-Studies provides top-notch study of fascinating subjects and ultimate flexibility in schedule and location.

1121 West Main Street
Durham, North Carolina 27701
919-668-9100
www.tip.duke.edu

Great Books Summer Program

Read and discuss selections from classic and contemporary literature with college professors and top faculty at Amherst College and Stanford University. Co-ed, residential program for grades 6-12. Also, writing, theater, music and art.

79 Sanford Street
Fairfield, Connecticut 06824
866-480-7323
www.GreatBooksSummer.com

Seacamp Association, Inc.

Seacamp is a Marine Biology/SCUBA summer camp for teens 12-17 located in the beautiful Florida Keys. Our tropical location on Newfound Harbor in the lower Keys is just minutes from the only living coral reef in the United States. Just 30 miles east of Key West, Seacamp enables campers to participate in a truly one-of-a-kind marine studies program. Campers investigate the Atlantic Ocean, the Gulf of Mexico, and Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary, moving among clear blue waters, coral canyons, sandy and grassy areas, mud flats, and natural tide pools – all teeming with invertebrates, fish, and mammals. In addition to snorkeling, SCUBA, and marine science, Seacamp also offers sailing, windsurfing, arts & crafts, a camp newspaper & more.

1300 Big Pine Avenue
Big Pine Key, Florida 33043
1.877.SEACAMP
www.seacamp.org

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Vanderbilt Programs for Talented Youth

Vanderbilt University's Programs for Talented Youth seeks to identify and aid academically talented youth from diverse educational, racial, and economic backgrounds by providing academic enrichment and challenge, while fostering balance and healthfulness in their lives.

Every child deserves an appropriate education that helps him or her develop natural talents to their fullest potential. Vanderbilt Programs for Talented Youth creates and offers services that promote the growth and happiness of intellectually talented young people through academic challenge and opportunities to find true peers. If you are interested in learning more about our new and growing programs, please contact us.

Programs:

- Vanderbilt Summer Academy (rising 7th-12th graders) offers one, two and three week sessions
- Weekend Academy at Vanderbilt (7th-10th graders) held each fall and spring
- Saturday Academy at Vanderbilt for the Young (K-8th grade) held Saturdays from January through March

Peabody #506
230 Appleton Place
Nashville, Tennessee 37203-5721
615-322-8261
pty.vanderbilt.edu

4 Star Camps at the University of Virginia

Academic Enrichment programs for middle school and high school students. Among the courses offered are SAT/ACT Prep, Writing (essay and creative), Math, Architecture, Political Science, Government and Study Skills. Academics may be combined with any of our afternoon programs to include: Tennis, Soccer, Golf, Personal Fitness, SCUBA Certification or Fine Arts Program (Art, Acting, Photography or Cinematography). Small classes, great learning, new friends all within a fabulous university setting.

PO Box 3387
Falls Church, Virginia 22043
800-334-7827
www.4starcamps.com

Advanced Academy of Georgia at the University of West Georgia

The Advanced Academy is an early-entrance-to-college program for gifted and motivated high school aged students. Students usually apply during their sophomore or junior years, and highly-able younger students may be considered. Academy applicants come from throughout the US and from other countries. Students reside together in a residence hall dedicated to the program that is staffed with residence life professionals and take regularly scheduled university classes, including Honors College classes. The Academy sponsors Young Scholars Institute, a residential two-week camp (one week math and science, the other week arts and humanities) in June for rising eighth and ninth graders. Campers may attend either or both weeks.

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Advanced Academy of Georgia Honors House
Carrollton, Georgia 30118
678-839-6249
www.advancedacademy.org

Alfred University Summer Program

Our beautiful campus, near New York State's Finger Lakes region, is the perfect place for learning and living in a collegiate setting. At week-long academic institutes, students explore astronomy, writing, art portfolio prep, theater or girls' leadership, meet kids from all over the country with similar interests and have lots of fun.

Alfred University
Alfred, New York 14802
607-871-2612
www.alfred.edu/summer

an iD Tech Camp: Hands-On Technology Fun

iD Tech Camps is for beginner to advanced students ages 7-17. Experience summer fun and make your own video games, websites with Flash®, digital movies, C++ or Java programs, graphic art, robots, 3D models, and more using the best industry-grade software. Weeklong day camps and overnight summer camps at 60 prestigious universities nationwide include Stanford, Brown, Columbia, MIT, Northwestern, NYU, Emory, American, UCLA and many more (see complete list below). With an average of just six students per instructor, students receive personalized instruction from fun, tech-savvy staff. Visit www.internalDrive.com to see where there is a location near you!

LOCATED AT THE FOLLOWING UNIVERSITIES:

- Arizona: Arizona State University and U of Arizona in Tucson
- California: Stanford University, UC Berkeley, UCLA, Santa Clara University, UC San Diego, Cal Lutheran University, Pepperdine University, UC Irvine, St. Mary's College of CA, UC Davis and UC Santa Cruz.
- Colorado: University of Denver and Colorado State University
- Connecticut: Sacred Heart University and Wesleyan
- District of Columbia: American University
- Florida: University of Miami and Rollins College
Georgia: Emory University
- Illinois: Northwestern University, Lake Forest College and Loyola University
- Indiana: Purdue University
- Kansas: University of Kansas

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- Maryland: Towson University
- Massachusetts: MIT, Smith College and Merrimack College
- Michigan: University of Michigan
- Minnesota: Macalester College
- Missouri: Washington University
- New Jersey: Rider University and Seton Hall University
- New York: Vassar College, Columbia University, NYU, Hofstra and Fordham University
- North Carolina: UNC-Chapel Hill and Wake Forest University
- Ohio: Case Western Reserve University and Ohio State University
- Pennsylvania: Villanova University and Carnegie Mellon University
- Rhode Island: Brown University
- Tennessee: Vanderbilt University
- Texas: UT Austin, Southern Methodist University, University of Houston and the University of the Incarnate Word
- Virginia: University of Virginia and College of William & Mary
- Washington: University of Washington

1-888-709-TECH (8324)

www.internalDrive.com

Attend the iD Film Academy

The iD Film Academy offers multiple 2-week sessions of intensive study in filmmaking and post-production for teens ages 13-18. Film on location at our teen San Francisco Bay Area Film Camps (at UC Berkeley in California) or Montreal Film Camps (at McGill University in Canada). Learn from top tier professional filmmakers who have an insider's knowledge of the industry and film festival circuit. Use Apple computers and the industry-standard editing programs Apple® Final Cut Studio® 2, Adobe® After Effects® CS4, Final Draft® AV and Sonicfire® Pro to produce and edit an amazing documentary of your experience! Enhance your movie with leading plug-ins like Delirium, Primatte Keyer™ Pro, Magic Bullet™ Looks and Trapcode Particular.

1-888-709-TECH (8324)

www.iDfilmacademy.com

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AwesomeMath

What: a three-week intensive summer camp for mathematically gifted students from around the globe. An initiative in response to parents and teachers of bright students who have not yet shone at the Olympiad level, as well as of those who would like to expand what they have learned in programs such as MATHCOUNTS. These talented students wish to hone their problem solving skills in particular and further their mathematics education in general. Many of our participants seek to improve their performance on contests such as AMC10/12, AIME, or USAMO.

Who: around 100 students in grades 6-11, distinguished faculty, a large group of mentors and assistants.

Where: At the University of Texas at Dallas <http://www.utdallas.edu/> (7/6-7/27) and the University of California, Santa Cruz <http://ucsc.edu/public/> (7/31-8/21).

Why: To offer gifted math students the opportunity to attend a high-quality summer program.

1721 Monaco Drive
Allen, Texas 75002
214-549-6146

www.awesomemath.org

Barnard College - Columbia Univ. Summer in New York City

The Barnard College Summer in New York City program offers high school sophomores and juniors the opportunity to immerse themselves in college life. Academic course offerings are varied and class sizes are limited. Through various activities and excursions students can explore different career opportunities, build leadership skills and discover New York City.

3009 Broadway
New York, New York 10027
212-854-8866

www.barnard.edu/pcp

Center for Gifted at National-Louis University

Offering a creative approach to education, Center for Gifted programs provide fresh opportunities for bright young learners to explore diverse subjects in a challenging, creative environment, free from the pressure of tests or grades. In a sensitive, nurturing climate, individual talents and gifts emerge readily and develop naturally. Worlds of Wisdom and Wonder, Summer Wonders, and Project programs are creations of the Center for Gifted, founded in 1983 at National-Louis University for the purpose of serving children and young people who cherish opportunities to expand their academic, creative, and/or artistic talents. We find that hands-on activities and inventive modes of participation foster originality and imagination; creative materials and teaching strategies inspire critical and creative thinking, enabling students to solve problems and affect discovery. The Center for Gifted attracts outstanding educators, experts in their fields, who are sensitive to varied learning styles and genuinely committed to communicating effectively with children and young people. These teachers place strong emphasis on

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differentiation, evoking every student's own depth of perception and offering each young gifted learner an individual invitation to creativity.

1926 Waukegan Road, Suite 2
Glenview, Illinois 60025
847-901-0173
www.centerforgifted.org

Columbia University High School Summer Programs

Rigorous summer pre-college academic programs give students a chance to experience college life and explore the surrounding culture in New York City, Barcelona or the Middle East. Pick from an array of curricular options. Earn an official Columbia University Statement of Attendance and instructor-written letter of evaluation. We also offer full scholarships for local students in the community to take math, science, or engineering courses in the spring and summer terms. Please visit the website for complete details on all programs.

Columbia University High School Summer Program Admissions
203 Lewisohn, 2970 Broadway, Mail Code 4119
New York, New York 10027
212-854-9666
www.ce.columbia.edu/hs

Education Program for Gifted Youth, Stanford University

The EPGY Summer Institutes are two, three and four-week residential programs offered by Stanford University for academically talented and motivated middle and high-school students. The Summer Institutes provide an opportunity for these students to enrich and accelerate their academic pursuits and to meet others who share their interests and abilities.

Summer Institutes participants live in supervised Stanford housing and are taught by Stanford instructors. Students engage in intensive study in a single course, and they are introduced to topics not typically presented at the high-school level. The Summer Institutes provide a taste of college life in the beautiful surroundings of the Stanford campus.

Summer Institutes subject areas include mathematics, science, writing, humanities and philosophy, computer science, economics, engineering, business and legal studies. The instructors are assisted by undergraduate and graduate student mentors who have expertise in the course subject areas. These mentors serve a dual role of Residential Counselor and Teaching Assistant so that the academic and social aspects of the program are tightly integrated.

The EPGY Summer Institutes are for students in grades 8-11. Students in grades 9-11 are also eligible to apply to the International Program. The Middle School Program is for students in grades 6 or 7.

Ventura Hall
220 Panama Street
Stanford, California 94305

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1-800-372-3749 ext. 325
epgy.stanford.edu/summer/institutes.html

Exploration Summer Programs

Exploration Summer Programs on the campuses of Yale University, Wellesley College, and St. Mark's School: courses, activities, trips, and friendships that open your eyes to things new and different. Exploration attracts students from more than 40 states and 40 countries. It is the perfect place for a fun summer of innovative courses and activities that inspire students to challenge themselves, discover the world of people and ideas, and experience the joy of learning.

932 Washington Street
PO Box 368
Norwood, Massachusetts 02062
781.762.7400
www.explo.org

Future Astronaut Training Program - Kansas Cosmosphere & Space Center

Venture into space at the Smithsonian-affiliated Cosmosphere's summer camp. Filled with a flurry of non-stop, astronaut training including spaceflight simulations, shuttle-crew exercises, g-force training in a centrifuge, robotics missions, rocket building and launches, F-101 and F-16 flight training and much more, the five-day, all-inclusive experience is open to students entering grades 7, 8, 9, or 10.

1100 N. Plum
Hutchinson, Kansas 67501
620-662-2305 x323
www.cosmo.org

GRASP

GRASP (Grand Rapids Academic Summer Program) is a correspondence program in math and reading for grades K-8. The program seeks to help students retain skills learned during the past school year by providing review exercises. There are about 20,000 kids nationwide participating in GRASP every summer.

2550 Burritt St.
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49504
616-819-2548
www.grpublicschools.org/grasp

IDEAL

IDEAL offers distinctive academic enrichment programs to high-achieving children in grades K-12 to promote academic excellence, citizenship, leadership, diversity, and appreciation of the arts. Programs include Super Saturdays, Shake Hands With Your Future, and Science: It's a Girl Thing.

Box 41008
Texas Tech University
Lubbock, Texas 79409-1008
(806)742-2420

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www.ideal.ode.ttu.edu

Learn to Live Together - Honors Leadership Academy for Young Women

LEARN to LIVE Together, Honors Leadership Academy for Young Women is a unique residential program for young women (7th - 12th grade). Participants engage in a well rounded program with each day broken up into three types of activities:

1. Academic courses offered by faculty
2. Exploration of social issues through peer group discussions led by community professionals
3. Immersion in an ethnic culture

The aim of LEARN to LIVE Together, Honors Leadership Academy for Young Women is to encourage the participants to explore their environment and to lead them toward self-growth and awareness of the diverse society that surrounds them.

PO Box 876
Carrollton, Georgia 30112
678-890-8780
www.learn-to-live.com

Math Enrichment Services

Math Enrichment Services provides a challenging mathematics curriculum for gifted upper elementary and middle school students in the Metropolitan Washington DC area. We are based in McLean Virginia and summer courses are available.

1200 Kensington Road
McLean, Virginia 22101
703 821 0949
www.mathreasoning.com

Robert E. Cook Honors College Summer Honors Program

The Robert E. Cook Honors College's Summer Honors Program is a place where talented high school students come together for two weeks and form a community of scholars who explore academic and collegiate living in a real college setting, working closely with dedicated professors. This program offers promising students the unique opportunity to experience college life while still in high school.

Students will live with Honors College students serving as counselors-in-residence in Whitmyre Hall, share meals in the campus dining hall, and learn with senior IUP professors during each day's classes. Evening activities expose students to college life outside the classroom and offers a great deal of flexibility to explore the aspects of the community that appeal to each student.

290 Pratt Drive - 136 Whitmyre Hall
Indiana University of Pennsylvania
Indiana, Pennsylvania 15705
724.357.4971
old.www.iup.edu/honors/shp.shtml

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Saturday for Scholars & Leaders

Saturday is not your typical day for school but participants in Georgia State University's Saturday School for Scholars and Leaders are not your typical students. Since 1975, parents and school personnel have identified scholars and leaders to participate in this special Saturday program. Each session, Atlanta area educators teach a variety of enrichment classes ranging from the fine and applied arts to math and science. While the classes make for a fun and interesting learning environment, they are designed to challenge participants at all levels (K- 8th grade).

Saturday School students find these classes so enjoyable in fact, that each session approximately 65% of the students return. In some cases students have attended as many as 34 consecutive sessions. These students represent a diverse cross section of the North Georgia Region, coming from home schooling experiences (3%), private (41%), and public (56%) schools.

All classes are held on the downtown main campus under the supervision of the Department of Early Childhood Education. The diverse curriculum is structured to offer educational opportunities emphasizing leadership, scholarship, and cultural awareness.

Georgia State University
P.O. Box 3976
Atlanta, Georgia 30302
404-651-2581
education.gsu.edu/saturdayschool/

Southern Methodist University - College Experience - Gifted Students Institute

Academically talented high school students can get a head start on college and a taste of campus life during this exciting 5-week summer program. The selection of college-credit subjects for morning classes include philosophy, English, math, psychology, history, and government. In the afternoon, all College Experience students will participate in a "core" class or humanities overview class for 3 hours of college credit.

PO Box 750383
Dallas, Texas 75275
214-768-0123
www.smu.edu/ce

Storming Robots

Storming Robots is a unique Robotics & Technology Learning Facility in Central NJ. It is also the only authorized LEGO MINDSTORMS Center on the East of US focusing on robotics education.

The center is equipped with two state-of-the-art computer labs. It is an enrichment learning lab which focuses on using robotics as means to inspire children's interest and further challenge their intellect in science, technology, mathematics, analytical, and strategic thinking. It offers a variety of programs for children focusing on engaging hands-on exploration in robots design skill, building, and programming throughout the year.

3322 Rt. 22 West, Suite 402

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Branchburg, New Jersey 08876
908-595-1010
www.storming-robots.com

SuperCamp

Over 25 years of Making Great Kids Greater! Kids and teens gain an academic edge with learning and life skills at a fun 10-day summer residential program held at eight prestigious colleges in the U.S., including Cornell, Stanford, Wake Forest and others. Students, ages 11-19 learn specific skills for success that can be applied to any subject and situation. Improve grades, motivation and confidence.

800-285-3276
www.supercamp.com/landingpages/LP-SummerCamps.aspx?src=nagc

The Gifted Child Society

Summer Super Stars is a summer day camp that is uniquely tailored for gifted kids from 4-years-old to 8th graders, with plenty of just plain fun activities plus the enrichment of academically challenging classes. Classes are small (10 to 15) and include group and individual projects designed to stimulate imaginative participation, hands-on creativity, and the development of higher order thinking skills. The afternoon recreational program has a wide choice of supervised activities, including swimming, sports, games, recreational computers, crafts, and other fun activities. Summer Super Stars offers challenging enrichment, stimulation, discovery, great friendships, and summer fun. Summer Super Stars day camp is held at Northern Regional High School in Allendale, NJ.

190 Rock Road (Gifted Child Society Office)
Glen Rock, New Jersey 07452
201-444-6530
www.gifted.org

The Summer Camp for Academically Talented Students @ Western KY University

SCATS provides an opportunity for students entering grades 7-9 to spend two weeks participating in myriad cultural, educational, and recreational activities. Students select four classes from dozens of choices in art, literature, mathematics, science, music, humanities, foreign language, social studies, and writing. Students live in an air-conditioned residence hall. Counselors supervise evening and weekend activities.

The Center for Gifted Studies
1906 College Heights Blvd. #71031
Bowling Green, Kentucky 42101-1031
270.745.6323
www.wku.edu/gifted

The Summer Program for Verbally and Mathematically Precocious Youth

VAMPY is a residential summer camp for very bright students currently enrolled grades 7-10. Students select one fast-paced, challenging class ranging from science to the liberal arts. Courses include Chemistry, Forensic Chemistry, Genetics, Geology and Oceanography, Humanities, Mathematics, Nazi Germany and the Holocaust, Physics, Revolutions, Shakespeare, Southern Literature, Spectra: Understanding the Universe

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through the Analysis of Light, Topical Study of Art and Art History: Space, Self, and Others, and Writing taught by college professors or educators experienced in working with gifted students. Counselors supervise evening and weekend activities.

WKU - The Center for Gifted Studies
1906 College Heights Blvd. #71031
Bowling Green, Kentucky 42101-1031
270.745.6323
www.wku.edu/gifted

The University of Vermont

The UVM/GIV Engineering Institute allows high school students ages 13-16 implement sustainable engineering practices. The Institute focus is on how to use global resources in sustainable and equitable ways through hands-on engineering projects, laboratory experiences, faculty presentations, and enlightening tours.

For more information, please visit: www.cems.uvm.edu
Scroll bottom left, click OUTREACH, then UVM/GIV Engineering Institute.

Votey 113
33 Colchester Ave.
Burlington, Vermont 05405
802-656-8748
www.cems.uvm.edu/summer/2009/09index.php

THINK Summer Institute

Exceptional seventh, eighth and ninth grade students interested in a rigorous summer program should consider the Davidson Institute's THINK Summer Institute. This three-week residential summer program gives participants the opportunity to earn college credits and connect with intellectual peers.

At the THINK Summer Institute, students take one college course in the morning and one in the afternoon. All courses are taught by top University of Nevada, Reno faculty members and credits earned are transferable. Students receive an official college transcript upon completing the program.

Please visit www.THINKSummerInstitute.org for application and course information.

9665 Gateway Dr., Ste. B
Reno, Nevada 89521
775-852-3483 x430
www.thinksummerinstitute.org

UConn Mentor Connection

Mentor Connection is an annual, three-week, summer program at the University of Connecticut for academically talented secondary students. It provides participants with opportunities to participate in creative projects and research investigations under the supervision of university mentors. These mentors work directly with rising juniors and seniors from across the country on projects in common areas of interest.

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2131 Hillside Road, Unit 3007
Storrs, Connecticut 06269
860-486-0283
www.gifted.uconn.edu

University of Oregon - Summer Enrichment Program

SEP is a two-week residential summer program providing challenging academic coursework and a wide range of social activities for gifted and highly able 6-10 grade students. Students are encouraged to largely construct their own schedules while at SEP, allowing them to cultivate their interests while simultaneously promoting their sense of independence and self-assurance. Students must be working above grade level but do not have to have formal TAG (talented and gifted) identification to participate in SEP.

During each two-week session, students live in university residence halls and attend six classes chosen from a slate of over 30 options. Classes are offered in a variety of subjects, traditionally including mathematics, science, social science, law, visual and performing arts, media studies, journalism, literature, ecology, and creative writing. Curriculum is designed at AP or college-entry difficulty levels. There are no exams or homework and classes do not qualify for college credit; the goal of the program is to give highly gifted students an opportunity to learn and enjoy a campus environment in a low pressure setting.

Students live in dorm groups divided by age and gender, with a counselor and junior counselor residing with each group. All program activities are closely supervised with a staff to student ratio of approximately 1:8, creating a safe, tight-knit campus community. Time out of class in the afternoons presents students with a range of social options to choose from, including participating in various athletic events, hanging out around the dorm, or exploring the UO campus with friends. Evenings offer an ever-changing list of options as well that include arts activities, movie-making, sports and game competitions, musical performances, and much more.

5259 University of Oregon
Eugene, Oregon 97405
541-346-1405
www.uoyouth.org

UVA Saturday and Summer Enrichment Program

Saturday Program: Classes offered on five consecutive Saturday mornings in the winter for intellectually and academically gifted students in K - 4th grades. Summer Program: Two-week residential summer camps for intellectually and academically gifted students who are rising 5th - 11th graders.

PO Box 400264
Charlottesville, Virginia 22904
434-924-3182
curry.edschool.virginia.edu/sep

Washington University - High School Summer Scholars Program

For an early taste of college, attend our residential academic summer program for talented high school sophomores and juniors. Enroll in up to seven credits of college

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coursework, earning transferable college credit. Live in a residence hall on campus, enjoy a variety of social opportunities, and make lasting friendships. This can be a perfect stepping-stone to the next stage of your education.

Courses are available in the sciences (biology, chemistry, geology, math, physics); social sciences (anthropology, economics, political science, psychology); humanities (art history, English, history, philosophy); languages (French, German, Italian, Russian, Spanish); arts (dance, film studies, music).

1 Brookings Dr.
Campus Box 1145
St. Louis, Missouri 63130
866-209-0691
www.summerscholars.wustl.edu

New York State Summer School of the Arts

Provides summer residential programs for New York State high school students. It is intensive pre-professional training with internationally acclaimed artists and artistic companies.

<http://www.emsc.nysed.gov/nysssa>

Summer Institute for the Gifted (SIG)

Provides academically advanced students with an exciting and serious educational experience. The program combines outstanding academic courses with cultural, social, and recreational opportunities.

<http://www.giftedstudy.com>

The Center for Talented Youth (CTY) at Johns Hopkins University

Focuses on the needs of students with exceptionally high academic abilities. The CTY community includes very bright students from all over the world whose talents place them well ahead of their age mates. CTY offers gifted students and their families and schools as well, a wide range of programs and services to nurture their intellectual abilities, enhance personal development, and foster better understanding of the needs of talented youth.

<http://cty.jhu.edu>

Summer School at Phillips Exeter Academy

A five week program which includes academic study, athletics and exploration. **ACCESS EXETER** is for students entering grades eight and nine, which offers accelerated study in the arts and sciences. The ACCESS EXETER curriculum consists of six academic clusters. Each cluster consists of three courses organized around a central theme, while the **UPPER SCHOOL** offers programs of study for high school students entering grades ten through twelve and post-grad. Upper School students may choose to sample several different disciplines, taking courses in such topics as web page design, conversational French, and/or observational Astronomy.

603-777-3488
www.exeter.edu/summer

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QuestBridge

A non-profit program that links bright, motivated low-income students with educational and scholarship opportunities to some of the nation's best colleges. QuestBridge is the provider of the National College Match. **The College Prep Scholarship** provides a risk-free opportunity for outstanding low-income students to prepare to apply to the nation's best colleges and universities.

<http://www.questbridge.org/index.html>

The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation

A private, independent foundation. The Foundation identifies and assists young people of exceptional promise, purpose, behavior and character who demonstrate financial need and distinction in academic endeavors and extracurricular activities.

<http://www.jackkentcookefoundation.org>

Alfred University Summer Program

A weeklong summer academic institutes where students explore astronomy, writing, business, or girls' leadership. Meet kids from all over the country with similar interests and have lots of fun.

www.alfred.edu/summer.

Bank Street Summer Camp - includes a Shakespeare Camp

Programming designed for two levels, upper and lower. See complete brochure at

<http://edit.bankstreet.edu:8080/camp/>

Barnard College - Columbia University in NY City

The program offers high school sophomores and juniors the opportunity to immerse themselves in college life. Academic course offerings are varied and class sizes are limited. Through various activities and excursions, students can explore different career opportunities, build leadership skills, and discover New York City. Visit

www.barnard.edu/pcp

Casa Italiana at Nazareth College

Program offers cultural and language programs throughout the year. Go to

http://www.naz.edu/dept/casa_italiana/children_prog.cfm

Challenger Summer Camp

Located at 657 East Avenue, Rochester, (585 473-7490 or 249-7063). Participants fly simulated missions to Mars; build and launch a probe; use actual NASA animated footage from Spirit and Opportunity landings; work as NASA engineers and scientists designing/building vehicles and a Mars colony; build a vehicle that is remotely operated.

www.rochesterchallenger.org

Chess Camp USA

Located at Allendale Columbia School, Rochester NY.

www.chesscamp.com

Children's' Museum of Manhattan

Continuing programming.

<http://www.cmom.org>

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Concordia Language Villages

Immersions in a choice of Chinese, Danish, Finish, French, German, Japanese, Norwegian, Russian, Spanish or Swedish. One and two-week programs for ages 7-18; four-week program for high school credit; abroad programs for ages 15-18.

Concordia Language Villages
901 South Eighth Street
Moorhead, MN 56562
(800) 222-4750
www.clvweb.cord.edu/prweb

Downstairs Cabaret Theatre

Summer Camp at the theater located at 540 East Main St Rochester for ages 5 – 18.

585- 325-4370
www.dct-sep.com

Environmental Studies Summer Youth Institute

Program provides exceptional opportunities to explore the scientific, social, and humanistic perspectives of environmental issues. The Institute offers a two-week, college-level interdisciplinary program for talented high school students entering their junior or senior years. Work in the field, in laboratories, in classrooms and on a four-day camping trip, students will explore a range of topics in environmental policy, economics and ethics

<http://academic.hws.edu/enviro/>

Game Builder Creation Camp

Located at Allendale Columbia School participants will design, develop and create a one-of-a-kind video game.

(888-652-4377)
www.gamebuildercamp.com

Genesee Country Village Museum

Summer programs with many options.

<http://www.gcv.org/programsAndEvents/summerYouthPrograms.html>

Hollingworth Science Camp

Summer science enrichment activities at Hollingworth Center - Teachers College, Columbia University of New York, NY.

(212) 678-3851
<http://www.tc.edu/centers/hollingworth/>

Infotronics Summer Science Camps

Located at Nazareth College, Finger Lakes Community College and Genesee Community College, participants will be involved with Crime Scene investigations, Harry Potter potions and mission to Mars.

<http://www.summersciencecamp.org>

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Institute for Educational Advancement (IEA) Apprenticeship Program

This three-to-six week residential summer program provides gifted high school students with the opportunity to work in a real-world professional environment with experienced and respected mentors in science, design, history and the arts. Apprentices reside on campus and experience college residential life. Areas of study have included: industrial design, chemical analysis, mechanical engineering, physics, applied mathematics, environmental science, theater production, art gallery curation, molecular diagnosis of ear disease, and pediatric medicine.

www.educationaladvancement.org

Institute for Educational Advancement (IEA) Yunasa Summer Camp for the Gifted

Yunasa (the Lakota word for "balance") is designed to teach campers techniques for integrating the intellectual, emotional, social, spiritual, and physical aspects of their lives. The weeklong camp experience for highly gifted children ages 10-14, is devoted to reminding bright young people that they are more than just intellect. Our trained staff provides campers with a physically and emotionally safe environment where they meet other gifted children, gain confidence and comfort interacting with peers and are challenged to strive for their personal best while making new friends and having fun. Camp Copneconic is in Fenton Michigan.

www.educationaladvancement.org

Kopernik Space Education Center- Summer Science Explorations

Hands-on high-tech science. Courses in Astronomy, Earth Science, Physics/ Engineering, and Computer Technology. Grades 3-12.

698 Underwood Road
Vestal, NY 13850
(888) 269-5325 ext. 208.

http://www.kopernik.org/summer_science/index.htm

MAG (Memorial Art Gallery)

Offers workshops all year. Summer brochure comes out in April, located in Rochester NY.

<http://mag.rochester.edu/creativeworkshop>

Math and Related Sciences (MARS) Summer Camp

As part of NSA's Mathematical Education Partnership Program, www.nsa.gov/mepp, we sponsor a MARS summer camp, <http://www.nsa.gov/about/about00008.cfm>, for middle school and high school students. Both are residential programs located at the University of Maryland, Eastern Shore in Princess Anne, MD.

<http://www.umes.edu/MARS/>.

National Computer Camp

Commuter or Residency Program on college campuses. Locations in Fairfield, CT; Cleveland, OH; New York, NY, or Atlanta, GA.

Michael Zabinski, Ph.D., Executive Director
National Computer Camps
P.O. Box 585
Orange, CT 06477

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(203) 795-9667
www.nccamp.com

Pioneer Day Camp at the Stone Tolan House (Rochester Landmark Society)

For grades 3 - 6.

<http://www.landmarksociety.org/events/event/htmlCA=13&EID-495>

Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT) Kids on Campus

Summer Camps with many different options.

<http://www.rit.edu/~kocwww/>

Rochester Museum and Science Center

Huge selection of workshops for all ages - download their brochure at

<http://rmsc.org/Experiences/Camps>

SPARK-Science for Middle School Students

SPARK has a single goal: identify talented 7th and 8th grade students and give them access to the ideas, resources, and tools they need to nurture their academic gifts in the sciences. SPARK is designed for young students who have demonstrated outstanding ability in science. We want to help students discover what is possible!

http://brown.edu/Administration/Continuing_Studies.

Summer at Rensselaer

This summer, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute offers students the chance to take credit courses and academic short courses reflecting the ground-breaking research being conducted in our state-of-the-art facilities. Enrichment Programs and Sports Camps allow today's youth -- and tomorrow's leaders -- to explore and begin to develop their passions and interests. Find out where you fit in!

Summer Institute for the Gifted and Gifted Education Resources

A leader in gifted education since 1984, the Summer Institute for the Gifted (SIG) provides academic summer programs for gifted and talented students in grade K - 11.

www.cgp-sig.com

The American Museum of Natural History

Has a wealth of activities and possibilities all year long.

<http://www.amnh.org> or <http://ology.amnh.org>

US Space Camp

US Space Academy and Aviation Challenge. Grades 7-12. Five day program in Huntsville, AL; Orlando, FL; or Mountainview, CA. Prices vary greatly for different programs.

US Space and Rocket Center
One Tranquility Base
Huntsville, AL 35807
1-800-63-SPACE
www.spacecamp.com

Programs for the Arts

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Crane Music School

Daily classes and rehearsals in all wind instruments, concert band, symphonic band, orchestra, choir, jazz ensemble, percussion, strings. Daily recreation and performance opportunities. Ages 12-18. Day or residential options. Two-week programs.

Office of Continuing Education/Summer Programs
SUNY Potsdam
Raymond Hall 206
Potsdam, NY 13676
(315) 267-2167
www.potsdam.edu/CRANE/CYM

Eastern U.S. Music Camp

Located at Colgate University, Hamilton NY, this residential program provides opportunities and enrichment in all areas of music; designed to be a complementary part of growth and development of young people. Careers in music are not necessarily the goal of the student attending the camp. Music ranges from traditional to rock, classical to modern for ages 10 - 19. Concert band, symphony orchestra, concert choir, jazz ensembles, chamber orchestra, vocal jazz choir, vocal ensembles, sectionals, recitals, workshops, lectures, classes in theory, harmony, composition and arranging, and conducting. Also recreational and cultural activities.

<http://easternusmusiccamp.com/campus.htm>

Eastman Summer Sessions

Numerous primarily residential programs in Rochester NY for middle and high school students, designed to challenge students and to build skills in career-track high school students. Programs are most relevant to orchestral studies but other programs also offered in piano, jazz composition, music technology, guitar and non-jazz improvisation.

www.rochester.edu/Eastman/summer

French Woods Camp

Located in Hancock NY, this residential camp offers individualized programs in performing and visual arts for ages 7 - 17. Concert band, jazz band, pit orchestras, symphony orchestras, rock band, chamber ensembles, theater, dance, circus, visual arts, land and water sports.

www.frenchwoods.com

Hartwick College Summer Music Festival and Institute

Located in Hartwick College, Oneonta NY, this residential program offers opportunities in band, choral, orchestral, jazz, music theater, piano, guitar and chamber music. For ages 8 - 22, these 2, 4 and 6 week sessions include private lessons, sessions with distinguished visiting artists, classes in computer technology in music, jazz history styles and analysis. For institute students, there are special chamber ensembles and courses offered for high school or college credit (attending for six weeks).

www.hartwickmusicfestival.org

Juilliard School Summer Percussion Seminar (NYC, NY)

This residential program, for ages 15-18, is an intensive week of study of all major percussion instruments as well as introductions to frame drums, composition, and

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percussion ensemble literature. Also offered are lectures on "Careers in Music" and Preparing a College Audition Festival.

<http://www.juilliard.edu/summer/percussion.html>

Long Lake Camp for the Arts

Programming combines unlimited music opportunities with social development and fun in a very creative and inspiring summer music camp. We specialize in all styles of music from classical to rock. We offer private lessons as well as ensembles, orchestras, choruses and solos. We are located in part of the Adirondack Park. Campers also enjoy fine arts, drama, dance, circus, magic and wonderful water sports.

<http://www.alonglakecampforthearts.com>

Luzerne Music Center

At Lake Luzerne, NY, this residential program helps young musicians develop their abilities at their own levels, challenging the very talented but also helping young people who still need to discover the joy of music. Philadelphia Orchestra members perform and teach. Ages 11-14 for the junior session; 15 -19 for the senior session. In addition to music, numerous recreational activities, dances, skit nights are included. See

www.luzernemusic.org

The New York State Summer Music Festival

Students are provided with opportunities to study extensively in many areas of instruction, including orchestras and bands for instrumentalists, choral ensembles and original music theatre projects for vocalists; composition workshops; jazz classes. Also supplemental classes in music history, theory, computer technology in music, filmmaking, jazz improvisation and many others. For ages 10 - 20. Students enroll for 2, 4 or 6 weeks.

<http://www.nysmf.org>

New York State Summer School of the Arts

Provides a summer residential program for NY State high school students which provide intensive pre-professional training with internationally acclaimed artists and artistic companies.

<http://www.emsc.nysed.gov/nysssa>

NY State School of Choral Studies

Participate in choral rehearsal, private instruction, study theory, improvisation. Many performance opportunities. Must audition. Grades 8 through 12. Four-week program.

NYSSSA Schools of Music
State Education Department
89 Washington Ave. Room 866 EBA
Albany, NY 12234
(518) 474-8773

www.emsc.nysed.gov/nysssa/SCS/choral.htm

New York State Summer Writer's Institute at Skidmore College

This week-long residence writing workshop for high school students is located at Saratoga Springs, NY. Held in July, the workshop offers young writers artistic development, recognition and respect, and peer support. Students work with

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professional writers, immersing themselves in poetry, prose, creative non-fiction, and the critical evaluation of each other's work.

<http://www.albany.edu/writers-inst/nyssywi.html>

Signature Music Camp at Ithaca College

Held at Ithaca College is a one-week youth camp (ages 12-14) and a two-week teen camp (ages 15-17).

www.signaturemusic.org

The Jazz Standard

Beneath the Blue Smoke restaurant on 27th St and Park Ave NYC. A free program to introduce kids to jazz.

212 447-7479

joann@discoverjazz.org or www.discoverjazz.org

Helpful Web Sites for Parents

AGATE is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization of concerned parents and educators designed to promote the education and welfare of the gifted and talented in New York State. For more information visit <http://www.agateny.com>

The Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) is the largest international professional organization dedicated to improving educational outcomes for individuals with exceptionalities, students with disabilities, and/or the gifted.

www.cec.sped.org/index.html

The National Association for Gifted Children (NAGC) is an organization of parents, educators, other professionals and community leaders to address the unique needs of children and youth with demonstrated gifts and talents as well as those children who may be able to develop their talent potential with appropriate educational experiences.

www.nagc.org

Supporting Emotional Needs of the Gifted (SENG) focuses primarily on the adults in the lives of gifted children. SENNG provides information on identification, guidance, and effective ways to live and work with gifted individuals.

www.SENNGifted.org

The National Parent Information Network (NPIN) is a project of the ERIC system and is administered by the National Library of Education and the U.S. Department of Education. The mission of NPIN is to provide access to research-based information about the process of parenting, and about family involvement in education.

<http://npin.org>

Hoagies' Gifted Education Page is a resource guide for the education of gifted children with links to resources on nearly every aspect of gifted education available on the Internet, plus annotations and first hand information provided by parents.

www.hoagiesgifted.org

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Gifted-Children.com: Identification, Encouragement, and Development (GCC) is an on-line parents' newsletter with networking and information dedicated to making a difference in the education of children with special talents and abilities.

www.gifted-children.com

GT World is an on-line support community for parents of Gifted and Talented children.

www.gtworld.org/index.html

The Gifted Development Center serves parents, schools, and advocacy groups with information about identification, assessment, counseling, learning styles, programs, presentations, and resources for gifted children and adults.

www.gifteddevelopment.com

The United Negro College Fund

www.uncf.org

The Hispanic College Fund

www.hispanicfund.org

The Children's Scholarship Fund

<http://www.scholarshipfund.org/index.asp>

Admission Possible - a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping promising, low-income young people prepare for and earn admission to college.

<http://www.admissionpossible.org/>

Bright Prospect Scholar Support Program (Pomona, CA)

<http://www.brightprospect.org/>

Center for Student Opportunity - promoting higher-education opportunities for first-generation and other under-served college-bound students.

<http://www.csopportunity.org/>

Citizen Schools- "A growing national network of after-school education programs for students in the middle grades (6th, 7th and 8th)"

<http://www.citizenschools.org/>

College Access Programs Directory

<http://www.collegeaccess.org/accessprogramdirectory/>

College Summit

<http://www.collegesummit.org/>

College Tracks- Chevy Chase and Bethesda, MD

<http://www.collegetracks.org/>

Goldman Sachs' Developing High Potential Youth Initiative

<http://www2.goldmansachs.com/citizenship/philanthropy/our-approach/developing-high-potential-youth.html>

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Harlem Educational Activities Fund - Harlem Educational Activities Fund (HEAF) is a non-profit organization dedicated to helping disadvantaged children become successful college students through college preparatory programs.

<http://www.heaf.org>

Institute for College Access and Success

<http://www.ticas.org/index.php>

Kids2College

<http://www.thesalliemafund.org/smfnew/initiatives/kidscollege.html>

Next Generation Venture Fund- (part of Goldman Sachs' initiative)

<http://www.ngvf.org/>

Pathways to Success- "Community partnerships in rural, underserved communities in America. This science education model enhances the interest and academic preparation of high school students to apply to and attend college, and pursue careers in biomedical science, health care, and science technology. Since 2002, 132 students and adult mentors from our partnering communities have participated in this program."

<http://nhs.georgetown.edu/humanscience/pathways/index.html>

Reach for College- DC Area

<http://www.reachforcollege.org/index.htm>

Pathways to College Network

<http://www.pathwaystocollege.net/aboutus/index.html>

Tutor/Mentor Connection

<http://www.tutormentorconnection.org/>

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