



Advanced Academics in Action

Parent Edition

Summer 2013

Summer is Just Around the Corner

Birdville ISD

Gifted children love to learn and that love of learning doesn't stop for summer break! Choosing the perfect summer camp and appropriate activities can be challenging. What goals are the most important for this summer? This is a conversation worth having with your student. Advanced students have their own goals and self-imposed pressures that most kids don't. Making summer plans often becomes a juggling act balancing academic and recreational activities.



There are many factors to consider when choosing a camp. Should you choose a camp that focuses on an area of passion or try something new? You will want to consider the location, cost, and whether it is an overnight camp.

This newsletter contains a list of summer opportunities to help you come up with a SUMMER 2013 PLAN that you and your student can enjoy!



Look for the
STARBURST



Age or Grade

Feel free to contact your campus Advanced Academics Specialist with any questions.

[List of Specialists by Campus](#)



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Summer on the Hill

Located in Addison, Greenhill School offers classes and camps designed for boys and girls, ages 3-18. Check out their website for details. Here are just a few offered this summer: DNA World (Grades 5-9), Guitar (Grades 4-12), Fashion Design (Grades 9-12), SAT/ACT Workshop (Grades 10-12), LEGO Master Builders (Grades 3-5), Steve Spangler's Awesome Science (Grades 2-5), Wilderness 1st Responder (Grades 6-8), It's a Wild, Wild World (Grades 4-8), Awesome Authors (Grades 2-4), Build-a-Mania (Age 4-Grade 1), Diary of a Wimpy Kid (Grades 2-4), Making the Most of Math (Grades K-1), When I Grow Up (K-2), ABC Camp (Ages 3-4) and several sports camps for various ages.



Ages 3-18

IGNITE! SUMMER INTENSIVES

are innovative summer enrichment programs brought to you by E.A. Young, a private academy located in North Richland Hills.

This year, we have partnered with Mid-Cities DI to offer

[DFW Waterbotics Institute](#)

for girls entering grades 9-12.



PreK-9th Grades

Camp Invention and Club Invention

Various locations within 25 miles of Fort Worth. (i.e. Saginaw High School, Park Glen Elementary School, Shady Brook Elementary School, Shady Grove Elementary, Grand Prairie ISD, Walnut Grove Elementary, Samuel Beck Elementary and Townsell Elementary)



Grades 1-6



TCU Summer Camp—Located on TCU campus in Fort Worth, Summer @ TCU is full of fun, learning and more fun! Camps are offered from June 17 to August 9. Combine half-day camps to make a full day of it at TCU! Camps fill early, so get your spots now!

Grades 1-12



UNT Summer Camps—Located in Denton, all camps meet in the Environmental Science Building on the UNT campus. Camps include science topics like archaeology, geology, space, chemistry, natural disasters, and crime scene investigations.

Grades 2-8



SMU Computer Camps—Located in Dallas. A variety of camps are available for weeklong, co-ed, day camps, and overnight camps. Course topics include video game design, programming, apps, web design & more!

Ages 7-17



UTA Summer Camps—Located in Arlington on the University of Arlington campus. A variety of camps are offered. Check out camps for topics like engineering, music, science, athletic programs as well as health, fitness and wellness programs.

Ages 5-18



College For Kids—Programs are held on all of Tarrant County College's five campuses (Northeast Campus, Northwest Campus, South Campus, Southeast Campus, and Trinity River Campus). College for Kids is a three-week enrichment program. For specific campus information, see this link: [Forms & Schedules](#).

Grades 1-12



Texas Woman's University's Fashion Camps—Located on the TWU Denton campus. Texas Woman's University knows fashion and prepares students every year for careers in fashion design and merchandising. TWU also offers various [athletic camps](#).

Ages 10-18



Dallas Museum of Art Summer Camps—Located at 1717 N. Harwood, Dallas. Summer Art camp participants will be exposed to works of art and related artistic techniques through interactive gallery and studio experiences.

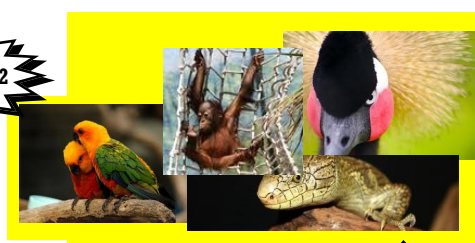
Ages 4-12



Dallas Zoo Camps—

Located at 650 South R L Thornton Freeway, Dallas. Camps begin June 24 with something for everyone!

Grades PreK-12



Fort Worth Zoo Summer Camps—

Located at 1989 Colonial Parkway, Fort Worth. The popular summer camp includes nine weeks of exciting themed adventures featuring crafts and other wild activities, new technology, animal visitors, and of course, Zoo excursions.

Ages 3 to 6th grade



Dallas International School Dallas International School Camps—Located at 6039 Churchill Way, Dallas.

MISSION LAÏQUE FRANÇAISE

Each year, the DIS Language Institute offers a Summer Enrichment Program open to all. Children and parents alike can enjoy this 6-week adventure. Check out the camps with topics such as Chess, Photoshop Design, Writer's Den, Le Petit Theatre, Robotics, Adventures in Movie Making and Adventures in RPG Game Design.

Grades PreK-Age 19

Camp Casa—



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mañana**

Located at Theatre in the heart of the

Ages 8-14

Cultural District at 3101 West Lancaster Avenue, Fort Worth. Camp Casa is a place for students of all skill levels to come and participate in professional training of the performing arts. In addition to rehearsing and producing a full-length show, campers will take classes in acting, music and dance.



Summer Music Camps 2013

Located in Watauga and South Fort Worth.

Ages 3-17

Rock Band Camp Ages 7-17

Music Adventures Camp Ages 3-7



CREATIVE ARTS THEATRE & SCHOOL

Located at 602 E. South St. Arlington, TX 76010, CATS offers a variety of camps that spark imagination and give upcoming actors a real taste of theatre. Please check out their website for more information.

Ages 3-18

Kimbell Art Museum

Ages 6-12

Kimbell Summer Camp

This mid-July program features five afternoons of creative activities inspired by Kimbell masterpieces and special exhibitions. Studio-art projects will encourage creativity and skills in a variety of media.



IRVING ARTS CENTER

It's worth the trip!

"Cirque Sensation" Summer Art Camps 2013

Located at 3333 North MacArthur Blvd., Irving

"The Greatest Show in Irving!"

The Arts Center is offering 12 summer camps. These KidsArts camps provide a well-rounded opportunity for participants to learn about a variety of art disciplines and engage in hands-on projects & activities that develop skill sets, self-confidence and an appreciation for life-long learning.

Ages 6-18



Dallas Arboretum Summer Camps

Located at the Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Garden, 8525 Garland Road, Dallas.

Cool camps for 3-12 year-olds at one of the most beautiful spots in Dallas. Half-day camps, Survivor Camp, Lone Star Adventure Camp, Little Critters.

Ages 3-12

River Legacy Living Science Center's Summer Camps

Grades PreK-8

Located at 703 NW Green Oak Blvd. Arlington.

A variety of weeklong programs in June and July offer children engaging ways to learn about wildlife, ecology and the environment. All classes feature investigations both inside the Living Science Center and outdoors in the rich resources of River Legacy Parks.



Summer Youth Program at SMU-in-Plano

Conveniently located off the Dallas North Tollway near The Shops at Legacy, we offer more than 60 one-week enrichment workshops for students entering grades K-12.



Sessions will run June 10-August 9, 2013

Grades K-12

**EARLY BIRD
DISCOUNT
Register by
April 30**

**LEGO® Learning
Adventures in Science & Design
Digital Media & Gaming
Creative Arts & Music
Academic Enhancement Skills
Test Prep & College Planning
Extended Day options also available**

Lone Star Leadership Academy Camps



Grades 4-8

Participants join a delegation of other distinguished students where they develop leadership skills while learning about the great state of Texas. Participants have the opportunity to learn about future career and internship opportunities, visit historically, scientifically and environmentally significant sites and be part of a rare academic experience. Upon completion of the program, each participant receives a Lone Star Leader Certificate of Merit to be added to his or her academic achievements.



- Dallas/Fort Worth Program - 4th, 5th, and 6th graders—Dates and Deadlines
- Austin/San Antonio Programs - 5th, 6th, and 7th graders—Dates and Deadlines
- Houston/Galveston Programs - 6th, 7th, and 8th graders—Dates and Deadlines



EDUCATION
& HUMAN DEVELOPMENT
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Aggie-STEM Summer Camp 2013

Located in College Station

Aggie STEM is holding the 4th annual summer camp for middle and high school students June 10 through 22.

[Click here](#) for more information.

- Robotics
- Rocketry
- Project-Based Learning with TAMU Professor

Grades 6-11

- PSAT/SAT PREP
- TV/RADIO Facilities Field Trip
- Physics Show
- Chemistry Show



SMU | BOBBY B. LYLE
SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

SMU Lyle Engineering Innovation Camps

Register by May 6

Girls-June 17-19

Boys-June 24-26

Grades 11-12

The Institute For the Development and Enrichment of Advanced Learners (IDEAL)

Grades 4-11

Located at the Texas Tech University in Lubbock, is offering the following camps this summer:

- [Shake Hands With Your Future 2013](#) (Grades 4-11)
- [Run on the Wind: Engineering A Clean Tomorrow](#) (Grades 7-11)
- [Science: It's a Girl Thing](#) (Grades 7-11).



Abilene Summer Piano Camp 2013

The camp offers an exciting opportunity to talented young piano students. The week will be filled with intensive study and unique musical experiences in a friendly and supportive environment.

Grades 8-12



Pine Cove Summer Camps

located in Tyler

This isn't just any old summer camp! This is Pine Cove Christian Camps located near both Tyler, Texas and Columbus, Texas. Pine Cove, one of the most renowned Texas summer camps, gives you the chance to experience the great outdoors along with the comfort of quality facilities!

horses

paintball

wakeboarding

- **Overnight Youth Camps**
- **Family Camps**
- **Day Camps**

ropes
courses

Grades 2-12