

Summer of Learning | 2017

May 5, 2017

Greetings Parents and Guardians:

With the end of the school year quickly upon us, we know that you are making plans for your child's summer vacation activities. While the summer is a time for relaxation, fun, and sun, it is also a time for students to engage in additional academic instruction, participate in high-quality enrichment experiences, and have exposure to outdoor recreational experiences. These strategies prevent summer learning loss or summer slide—a phenomenon in which students fall behind academically during the summer months.

Both Seattle Public Schools and through the City of Seattle's Families and Education Levy, there are a number of summer programs, including one here at Asa Mercer International Middle School.

Below is a list of summer opportunities for your family to review. If you have any additional questions regarding signing up for summer programming, please contact the program contact.

Program Name	Description	Program Dates	Program Contact
PALS Parks Academy of Learning @ Mercer	"Parks Academy of Learning" -- academic and enrichment program for Mercer students. Current grades 6 & 7, incoming 6	June 28 – July 31. (five weeks) 9:00-3:00 M-Th	Damien Hicks email: dlhicks@seattleschools.org 206-252-8020
Seattle Skills Center	The Seattle Skills Center is a Seattle Public Schools program to provide hands-on classes in real-world career fields at various sites – all at NO TUITION COST	July 5-28 Open to incoming 9 th -12 th graders. Click to apply	If you have questions, please contact us at 206-252-0730, email: skillscenterinfo@seattleschools.org . or visit: http://skillscenter.seattleschools.org/
YMCA	"Level 9 Program @ Franklin" -- Academic, enrichment and high school transition program for rising 9th graders at Franklin	Jul. 6 - Aug. 11 (six weeks)	Agnes Leapai atleapai@seattleschools.org 206-252-3148
YMCA	"Project 206 @ Cleveland" -- Academic, enrichment and high school transition program for rising 9th graders at Cleveland, special focus on project-based learning and social justice.	Jul. 10 - Aug. 11 (five weeks)	Theresa Hardy trhardy@seattleschools.org 206-252-2351
Boys and Girls Club	"Work, Learn, and Earn" -- math camp focused on Algebra readiness for students in the Rainier Valley	Jul. 5 - Aug. 4 (five weeks)	Nicole Matthews nmatthews@positiveplace.org 206-232-4548

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eMode	"Fear No Number" -- math camp focused on Algebra readiness for students in the Rainier Valley	Jul. 5 - Aug. 15 (six weeks)	Glenda Sinclair glenda@emodefoundation.org
Woodland Park Zoo	"ZooCrew" -- STEM-focused summer learning program offering interactive, hands-on projects and field trips around Puget Sound	Option 1: Jul. 5 - Aug. 1 Option 2: Aug. 3 - Aug. 30	Ryan Driscoll ZooCrew@zoo.org 206-548-2579
Empowering Youth & Families Outreach	"Summer Leadership Institute" --academic and enrichment program for African-American students, focused on leadership and college readiness	Jul. 6 -Aug. 18 (seven weeks)	Charlett Shoecraft empoweringyouthandfamilies@msn.com 206-335-9439
El Centro de la Raza	"Plaza Roberto Maestas Summer Learning Program" -- academic support and cultural enrichment program for Spanish-speaking students	Jun. 26 - Aug. 4 (six weeks)	Denise Perez Lally dperezlally@elcentrodelaraza.org 206-957-4609
Computing Kids	"Code Your Future" -- computer science and math camp providing opportunities to improve math skills, create computer games and design websites	Jul. 10 - Aug. 18 (six weeks)	Nina Smith-Gardiner nina@computingkids.com

Again, if you have any questions regarding summer programs or would like to receive more information on Parks Academy of Learning at Mercer please contact Damien Hicks at (206) 252-8020 or dlhicks@seattleschools.org

Regards,

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