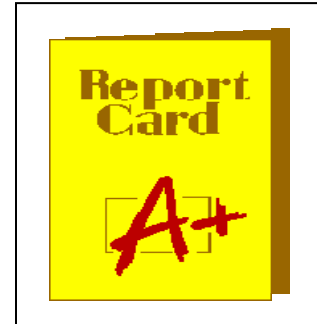


Downingtown Area School District Presents

MIDDLE LEVEL SUMMER ACADEMY



DATES: June 23 through July 24, 2008 Classes: Monday–Thursday at LMS.

COST: \$300.00 per child. \$250.00 for any additional sibling. Please see your school's website for "DASD Summer Programs". All registrations must be completed on line.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE::

It is the intent of the Middle Level Summer Academy to provide remediation and enrichment activities for students of Downingtown Middle School and Lionville Middle School. It is our belief we need to provide an opportunity for students to continue to learn in a structured setting during the summer. Students who do not perform well during the regular school year due to deficiencies in the area of basic skills would have the opportunity to improve their skill level by attending the summer academy. Likewise, students proficient in basic skills will be given enrichment opportunities. It is the expectation of this program that the exposure to this academic environment for five weeks will translate into tangible academic improvement. Another positive outcome of the academy is a familiarity with the middle school program and facility. We also anticipate an improvement in self-esteem based on success in the team/trust building component of the academy.

TARGET POPULATION:

Current 5th and 6th graders are invited to attend as well as 6th and 7th graders. Program availability will be based on the population enrolled.



SKILLS AND LEARNING ACTIVITIES PRESENTED IN THE CLASSES

1. Problem Solving
2. Informational and Narrative Reading Strategies
3. Structured Writing
4. Challenge Program
6. Team/Trust Building
7. Enhanced Self-esteem
8. Increase confidence with surroundings
9. Pennsylvania history, geography, and wildlife.

Middle School Academy provides the educational continuity necessary for student success.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROGRAM:

The Downingtown Area Middle Level Summer Academy is a student centered program that is designed to provide hands on experiences in the academics, social and emotional realms. The students learn and apply a variety of valuable skills that are not only relevant in an academic setting but also in the “real world”.

Summer Academy provides an ideal opportunity for students transitioning from both 5th to 6th grade and from 6th to 7th grade. Students are afforded opportunities to actively participate in maintaining academic skills and team building activities. Students move through a five week, mini-course structure from 9:00-12:00, Monday through Thursday.

Example:

- 45 min. ropes/rock climbing, special area instruction like world languages and/or computer applications
- 45 min. social studies-hands on activities
- 45 min. reading and writing activities
- 45 min. math, mind teasers, math puzzles, word problems open-ended questions

Questions should be directed to the main office at 610-524-6300.