Texas A&M University Summer Camps for K-12 Students

Adventure, Dance, Education, Philosophy for Teens 2017

The YOUTH ADVENTURE PROGRAM (YAP)
Sponsored by the Department of Educational Psychology in collaboration with university partners

Information and registration:  http://www.youthadventureprogram.com  
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The Youth Adventure Program is a series of one week courses designed to encourage career exploration in fields of interest to gifted and talented students. YAP is held on the College Station campus of Texas A&M University. Although no admission criteria are utilized, applicants should be highly motivated to learn, think, and solve problems and should have a strong interest in future college, university, and/or professional school attendance. Only one course is selected per week of attendance, and applicants are admitted on a first come basis.

University professors and other professionals will teach YAP classes. While they may do some lecturing to introduce concepts and principles, major emphasis is given to “discussing (yapping) and doing” as a strategy for engaging students in the investigative process. Classes meet from 9:00-11:30 a.m. and 1:30-3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. YAP also includes social and recreational activities in the late afternoons and evenings to provide for student interaction in other settings.

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Camp Adventure, 2017
Sponsored by Department of Health & Kinesiology

Dates: May 29- June 9  
Information and registration:  http://campadventure.tamu.edu/  
Contact: Martha Muckleroy (Camp Director) thumper@tamu.edu

Camp Adventure is a two week day camp sponsored by the Department of Health and Kinesiology at Texas A&M University, in cooperation with the Office of Continuing Education. Camp Adventure is for boys and girls ages 8-12. Campers are divided into tribes by age and gender. We have planned an exciting and fun program for your child which includes outdoor adventure experiences and a few sports skills.

Collegiate Summer Dance Intensive
Sponsored by Department of Health & Kinesiology

Dates: June 11-17, 2017  
Information and registration:  http://dance.tamu.edu/outreach/summerintensive  
Contact: Christine S. Bergeron: 979-845-5025; cbergeron@tamu.edu

Texas A&M Dance Collegiate Summer Dance Intensive is designed to provide serious dancers with the opportunity to prepare for dance at the collegiate and pre-professional level, as well as gain insight into campus life and the Dance Science Program at Texas A&M University. Participants must be ages 15-20 and have a minimum of four years of dance experience. Students will be staying in university dormitories, walking our vast campus, and working closely with dance faculty. Each day will include various classes in Ballet, Modern, and Wellness (Yoga, Pilates, etc.)
as well as Improvisation and Choreography as taught by TAMU dance faculty: Christine Bergeron, Diane Cahill-Bedford, Andrea Alvarez, and Alex Pooley-Detwiler and other professional guests. For students looking to enter TAMU in Fall 2018 (Class of 2022) an audition will also be available during the intensive at no additional cost. Additionally, the students will participate in evening activities to enhance their preparation for dancing in college and beyond as well as explore our campus.

**TAMU Dance Youth Summer Dance Intensive 2017**  
**Sponsored by Department of Health & Kinesiology**

**Dates:** June 21-24, 2017  
**Information and registration:** [http://dance.tamu.edu/outreach/youth-summer-dance-intensive](http://dance.tamu.edu/outreach/youth-summer-dance-intensive)  
**Contact:** Alexandra Pooley; alexandra.pooley@hlkn.tamu.edu

Texas A&M Dance **Youth Summer Dance Intensive** is designed to provide young dancers with the opportunity to explore their interest in dance and campus life at Texas A&M University. We seek to improve the student’s knowledge of various dance styles and technical skills as well as foster the student’s love for dance. Participants must be 12-14 years of age (students must turn 12 before the start of camp) and have a minimum of one year of dance experience. Students will be staying in university dormitories, walking our vast campus, and working closely with dance faculty. Each day will include various classes in Ballet, Modern, Jazz, Commercial Dance, Improvisation, Pilates/Yoga, Dance Wellness and Choreography as taught by TAMU dance faculty: Christine Bergeron, Diane Cahill-Bedford, Andrea Alvarez, and Alex Pooley-Detwiler and other guests. Additionally, the students will participate in fun evening activities such as Aggie Scavenger Hunt, movie night, and site-specific dancing, etc.

**ExpLORE Camp 2017**  
**Sponsored by the College of Education and Human Development**

**Dates:** Available Soon  
**Information and registration:** [http://education.tamu.edu/explore](http://education.tamu.edu/explore)  
**Contact:** Casey Rickets, crickets@tamu.edu

ExpLORE summer camp is designed for rising high school seniors interested in a career in the classroom. The four-day camp introduces students to teacher education programs, leadership opportunities, career opportunities and courses of study to enrich their knowledge of the teaching profession. As part of the ExpLORE summer camp experience, students will be housed overnight in residence halls on the Texas A&M University campus and participate in activities that allow them to experience first-hand teaching as a career, including activities with various departments, team building activities and college planning workshops.

Any rising high school senior who has completed his or her junior year and is ranked in the Top 25 percent of his or her class is eligible to apply to ExpLORE. If your school does not have a ranking available at the time of application, you must include a letter from your counselor indicating your ranking. The application process is competitive; students will be notified directly if they are selected to attend.

**Discovering China Summer Program**  
**Sponsored by the Confucius Institute at Texas A&M University**

**Dates:** June 4- June 16, 2017  
**Information and registration** [http://confucius.tamu.edu/Main-Menu/Lectures-Events/2016-(1)/Discovering-China-Summer-Program](http://confucius.tamu.edu/Main-Menu/Lectures-Events/2016-(1)/Discovering-China-Summer-Program) ; Application due April 1st  
**Contact:** Amanda Johnson: azj@tamu.edu ; 979-845-3099 ; Hong Zhou: zhouhong@tamu.edu ; 979-845-6261

Discovering China is a 12 day program to introduce high school students to Chinese culture. The program is offered in partnership with the Ocean University of China and includes introductory Chinese language classes, tours of historic sites, seminars on Chinese culture and society, and opportunities to interact with Chinese Students. Participants will be chaperoned by staff from the Confucius Institute at Texas A&M University. Students will be selected on a competitive basis based on submitted material and interview.
Aggie Philosophy Camp for Teens & Tweens 2017 for students currently in 6th though 12 grade.
Sponsored by the Collage of Liberal Arts, Department of Philosophy and the Department of Hispanic Studies

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Dates: June 5-9, 2017 for students in grades 6-12 Time: 8:30 am to 4:00 pm
Information and registration: http://p4ctexas.tamu.edu
Fee: No cost
Dual language opportunity (Spanish)
Contact: Dr. Claire Katz, Camp Director ckatz@tamu.edu

Aggie Philosophy Camp for Teens will introduce students to some of Western philosophy’s most influential ideas and persistent questions. But you will learn so much more than what some old guys thought many years ago! Taught by Texas A&M University faculty and graduate students, the Philosophy for Teens camp offers students a transformative experience. Philosophy camp students will have the opportunity to discuss and reflect on these big ideas, learn and practice critical thinking, and improve logical and creative thinking. Just a few of the big question:

- What is ethics?
- What is friendship?
- Do we have moral obligations to animals?
- Are we free?
- What is best form of government?

And yes, even the old standby...

- What is the meaning of life?

If you ever found yourself wondering about these or similar questions, this camp is for you!

At Philosophy Camp, students will work collaboratively with faculty, graduate student counselors, and, most importantly, with each other to think carefully about important philosophical ideas, that not only appear throughout history and but also in our world today. Expect to challenge yourself to understand better your own perspective and those of your peers. If you are interested in philosophy, or just want to know more about what philosophy is, this camp is the perfect place to start!