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Summer Academic Instruction, Visual Arts and Fun in the Orange Public School District

This summer the Orange Public School District operated a half-day Summer Academy at Heywood Avenue School, Lincoln Avenue School, Rosa Parks Central Community School, Scholars Academy and Park Avenue School. The program offered academic enrichment and remediation in the areas of mathematics and English language arts where students honed their math skills through investigations, math games, and internet activities, along with reading, writing, speaking and listening activities. Students focused on Common Core skills that are additions to the NJ Core Curriculum Content Standards.

In the elementary schools, students demonstrated mastery of new skills through Math Carnivals held at each site where students gave presentations on math activities and manned booths testing their mental math skills. In Language Arts, the students completed research and read informational texts in line with the new Common Core standards. The research and readings were used to write arguments that gave textual evidence to support claims and counterclaims. Students in grades 1 and 2 wrote opinions about particular authors' writing styles, and those in grades 3-7 researched and wrote argument essays about controversial issues. On the last day of the Summer Academy, the elementary schools sent their top teams to a culminating debate held at the OPA auditorium. Thirty-four students won medals for the strength of their arguments.



Pictured: At Park Avenue School, students were not only readying themselves for the upcoming school year with reading and writing assignments (pictured left), they were preparing themselves for the Math Carnival (center and right) culminating event.



Pictured: At Heywood Avenue School, students made math presentations on "How Would You Spend a Million Dollars" (left) and visited various math stations, participating in fun math challenges designed and run by the students (center and right).



Pictured: Scenes from the summer Academy debate held at OPA Auditorium on August 2.

At Rosa Parks Central Community School (RPCCS), the last day of their academy concluded with a Summer Program

Carnival. The day opened with an Awards Ceremony acknowledging students who received awards for attendance, most improved, best overall and most conscientious. There was a "wall walk" to showcase work completed by the students in English Language Arts and Mathematics. All the students and over 30 parents who were in attendance had an "absolute blast" playing the various games at booths set up and managed by the students.



Pictured: RPCCS students are show enjoying the school's carnival on the final day of their summer program.

The Orange Summer Academy ran from June 25 through August 2, from Monday through Thursday, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. There were 1,106 students in grades 1-7 who participated from across the district. Additionally, 124 students in grades 8-9 attended the Summer Academy at OPA, and 206 students in grades 9-12 attended Orange High School's Summer Academy.

Extended Day Summer Program:

Students in grades 1 – 7 also had the opportunity to participate in a full day program, from June 25 – August 3, operated in partnership with Arts Unbound at Lincoln, Park and Heywood Avenue Schools and operated by Family Connections/Community School at RPCCS. Students in the extended full day program remained at their summer school locations from 12:30 to 5:30 p.m. each day and also on Fridays, from 8:30 – 5:00 p.m. These students enjoyed extra activities in the areas of arts and crafts, physical education and local field trips including swimming.



Pictured: Students from Lincoln Avenue's full day summer program, offered in conjunction with Arts Unbound, attend a ceramics class, at Orange High School, taught by ceramics and fiber arts instructor, Megan Guerriero. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, students walked from Lincoln to Orange High School, accompanied by their teacher and student workers, to develop art projects.

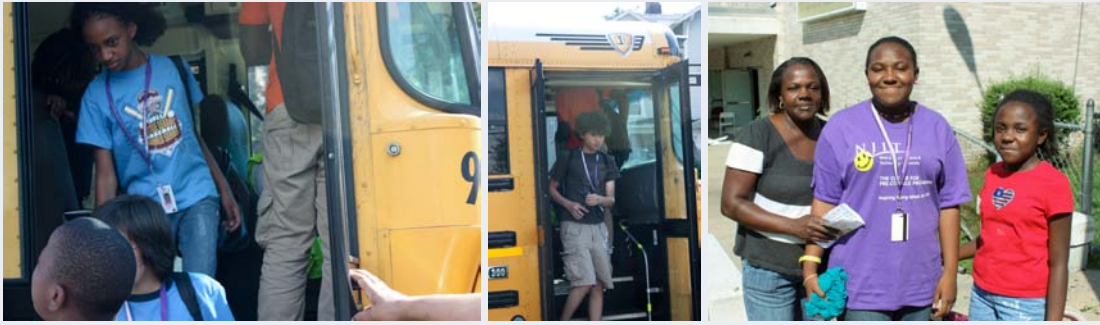


Pictured: Lincoln Avenue students are show enjoying an afternoon in the gym and in art class.



Students Achievement at New Jersey Institute of Technology

Approximately thirty-five students from the Orange Public Schools had the opportunity to participate in the New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT) Center for Pre-College Programs (CPCP) summer camps. The various programs, available through CPCP, offered Orange's students, grades 4 – 12, the chance to complete hands-on science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) projects on the Newark campus of NJIT. They were bused daily from Orange High School, Monday through Thursday, from July 9 – August 9 to attend classes.



Pictured above (left and center) are students returning from NJIT. Pictured right is participant Danielle Plummer who was met by her mother and sister Dana.

Included in the CPCP summer camp is the Women in Engineering and Technology Initiative-FEMME Program, which offered young women "opportunities to enhance their academic abilities in mathematics, science and technological academic achievement, develop problem-solving and critical thinking skills, and promote self-esteem and self-confidence."

"The goal of FEMME is to encourage girls to choose careers in scientific and technological fields in which women are traditionally underrepresented. FEMME provides an intensive five-week summer component for five groups of female students and includes classroom discussions, laboratory experiments, projects, and field trips."

2012 Early College Preparatory Programs:

- Women in Engineering & Technology Initiatives FEMME Program
 - Environmental Engineering FEMME – 4th Grade / Female
 - Aeronautical Engineering FEMME – 5th Grade / Female
 - Mechanical Engineering FEMME – 6th Grade / Female
 - Chemical Engineering FEMME – 7th Grade / Female
 - Biomedical Engineering FEMME – 8th Grade / Female
- Environmental Science and Engineering Program (ESEP) – 4th Grade
- Aeronautical Engineering Program (AEP) – 5th Grade
- Pre-Engineering Program (PrEP) – 6th Grade
- Explore Careers in Technology and Engineering (ExCITE) – 7th Grade
- Medical Robotics (MEDIBOTICS) – 8th Grade
- Introduction to Chemical Industry in Engineering Program (IChIME) – 7th and 8th Grade
- Fundamentals of Physical Sciences (FPS) – 9th through 11th Grade
 - Chemistry
 - Physics

First Name	Last Name	School	Grade	Program Attending
Raffael	Davila	Forest Street School	5	AEP1
Joshua	Lunis	Forest Street School	5	AEP1
Geordan	Walker	Forest Street School	5	AEP1
Jai	Miller	Heywood Avenue School	5	AEP1
Quameen	Barrett	Oakwood Avenue School	5	AEP1
Megeenah	Dacy	Forest Street School	5	AEP2
Tenna	Deleta	Forest Street School	5	AEP2
Melen	Negussie	Forest Street School	5	AEP2
Nicolette	Lewis	Heywood Avenue School	5	AEP2
Noah	Stansbury	Heywood Avenue School	5	AEP2
Andrew	Coates	Lincoln Avenue School	5	AEP2
David	Ortega	Rosa Parks Central Community School	4	ESEP1
Jason	Jean Baptiste	Cleveland Street School	4	ESEP2
Angelina	Lynch	Forest Street School	4	ESEP2
Joshua	Phillips	Forest Street School	4	ESEP2
Cassandra	Chatonda	Lincoln Avenue School	4	ESEP2
Lily	Headley	Heywood Avenue School	7	ExCITE
Cassandra	Agesilas	Rosa Parks Central Community School	7	ExCITE
Kenny	Lachira	Rosa Parks Central Community School	7	ExCITE
Jessica	Menjivar	Rosa Parks Central Community School	7	ExCITE
Tashana	Noel	Cleveland Street School	4	FEMME4

Blessing Onyinye	Okafor	Cleveland Street School	4	FEMME4
Nia	Thomas	Rosa Parks Central Community School	4	FEMME4
Nana	Bawuah	Orange Preparatory Academy	8	FEMME8
Kyla	Nesbitt	Orange Preparatory Academy	8	FEMME8
Haresh	Jaggernath-Singh	Orange High School	11	FPS-Physics2
Melanie	Rosado	Cleveland Street School	7	ICHIME
Melissa	Rosado	Cleveland Street School	7	ICHIME
Danielle	Plummer	Heywood Avenue School	7	ICHIME
Nahom	Deleta	Forest Street School	6	PREP1
Kenia	Luna	Forest Street School	6	PREP1
Aneela	Kanhai	Rosa Parks Central Community School	6	PREP1
Francisco	Quiros	Forest Street School	6	PREP2
Estefany	Galdamez	Rosa Parks Central Community School	6	PREP2
Ashley Ann	Thomas	Rosa Parks Central Community School	6	PREP2

On the last day of the program, family members visited classrooms where they saw displays of the work completed over the course of the summer, as well as presentations made by eager students. The event was packed with many parents and well wishers in attendance. All were impressed with the presentations and student accomplishments.

While all the students did well in the program, several achieved excellence awards presented during the culminating event. The following students received the awards, as noted:

- Megeenah Dacy, Forest Street School – Excellence in Computers
- Nicolette Lewis, Heywood Avenue School – Excellence in Communications
- David Ortega, Rosa Parks Central Community School – Excellence in Environmental Science
- Jason Jean-Baptiste, Cleveland Street School – Excellence in Computers
- Melanie and Melissa Rosado, Cleveland Street School – Excellence in Chemistry
- Estefany Galdamez, Rosa Parks Central Community School – Excellence in Engineering



Pictured: Students are show during class sessions on July 24th at NJIT completing environmental science projects (photo 1 and 2) and completing/displaying self-propelled model cars (photo 2 and 3).



Pictured: Scenes from "See What We Did This Summer At NJIT . . ." - 2012 Early College Preparatory Programs @ NJIT event including classroom display (left) student presentation (center) and the closing ceremony in the Campus Center Ballroom (right).



Real World Connection

In addition to the NJIT's pre-college program, Orange High School students participated in NJIT's Real World Connection (RCW), which ran from July 9 – August 7, 2012. In this program, students worked in small project groups to solve real-world problems addressing varying aspects of business, communications, architecture, sports and entertainment. NJIT students, NJIT alumni and industry experts coached the students. The program also included field trips and sports activities.

On August 7th RWC held its "Students' Projects Showcase" at Liberty Science Center. The daylong event was a showcase of science, art, and technology by the Orange students who were part of twelve high school teams, along with college teams, that presented their real world project accomplishments. The event, attended by Superintendent of Schools, Ronald C. Lee, was marked by innovative solutions, a fashion show and included a certificate and awards presentation.

To learn more about Real World Connections visit <http://www.myrealworldconnections.com/>.



RWC students wait for the Orange Public School bus for their morning ride to NJIT



First Annual Transitional Program For Orange Preparatory Academy



In early part of August 2012, Orange Preparatory Academy (OPA) offered its first annual transitional program for incoming 8th grade students. OPA's Support Service Staff members, Darryl Smith, School Counselor and Malika Berry, School Social Worker, facilitated the program over a one-week period, with 45 students in attendance.

The program was provided with the firm belief that the more connected students are to their school, the better they will do in all the measures that are important in tracking their success: grades, test scores, attendance, and discipline. "When students are connected to school, they *want* to be there, and this makes all the difference," says Darryl Smith. "Students who are attached to school and to each other perform better."

Incoming students had the opportunity to hear what classes they will have to take, where those classes are, what rules are important, how to build relationships within the school and what opportunities are available. Students also had the opportunity to participate in a lecture series from several community outreach programs, including New Jersey SEEDS, Covenant House, and Planned Parenthood. These outside agencies provided students with working knowledge and tools to be socially productive in their academic development.



The Transitional Program at Orange Preparatory Academy addressed the need for information by creating a

dissemination process that uses the student-to-student relationship. This includes both one on one interactions and connections in small groups and makes it far more likely that critical information is received and remembered.



Art Exhibit Features AENJ District Members

Congratulations to Orange School District art instructors Lisa Clark and Kelly Gresiak for having their artwork exhibited at Kean University this summer during the Art Educators of New Jersey 2012 Members' Exhibit. The exhibit took place from June 6 through July 25, 2012 at the school's James Howe Gallery. Ms. Clark supports students at Lincoln Avenue School and Ms. Gresiak supports students at Heywood Avenue School. They are members of the Art Educators of New Jersey, a 1,000 member plus organization "interested in the promotion of visual arts education in the state."



Pictured with their displayed artwork are Ms. Gresiak (left) and Ms. Clark (right).



Students Visit Garden State Urban Farms

On July 26, students from one of Orange High School's summer programs visited the Garden State Urban Farms hydroponic greenhouse in Orange, NJ. Instructor, Ms. Minette Salomon arranged the trip for the students, which was their second outing to the GSUF. On their previous trip, the students planted seeds for spinach, basil and lettuce. It was a hands-on experience for the young "farmers" who were able to see the fruits of their labor. The students also made terrariums during their latest visit. Another teacher, Ms. Lydia McKenzie, along with assistance from Ms. Nilda Vargas and Mr. Robert Coles who attended the field trip.



Orange students visit the Garden State Urban Farms on July 26, 2012.

The Garden State Urban Farms collaborates with schools to provide educational programming for students.



Oakwood Bridge Club Earns Bronze

The Oakwood Avenue School Bridge Club participated in the Youth Bridge Summer Regionals in Parsippany, New Jersey on August 4, 2012. Oakwood team members Barry Caldwell and Leon Powell took third place earning Bronze medals for their efforts. For several of the club members, this was their first tournament.



Pictured: Oakwood Bridge Club students playing bridge at the Regional Tournament (left) and Bronze Level winners Barry Caldwell and Leon Powell (right)

The Oakwood Avenue Bridge Club advisor is Ms. Pamela Venable, school Guidance Counselor and was accompanied on the trip by retired district administrator, Ms. Barbara Clark and Ms. Gail Velox, President of the Orange Education Foundation. The team members include:

1. Ashanti Burton
2. Danidzah Hopkins
3. Ny'daizyh Hopkins
4. Ateesha Quinn
5. Mathew Quinn
6. Jaziyah Brash
7. Khalil Stewart
8. Cheyenne Finney
9. Dakota Finney
10. L'Nai Bryant
11. Anahyah Muldrow
12. Leon Powell
13. Chantal Clemson
14. Vince Polidor
15. Paul Destine
16. Joseph Destine
17. Barry Caldwell

Coming Attractions

- ***Thursday, August 23 – Substitute Teacher Orientation***
- ***Monday, August 27 – Administrators' Retreat***
- ***Friday, August 24 and Monday – Thursday, August 27 – 30 – New Staff Orientation***
- ***Tuesday, September 4, Superintendent's Forum, 8:30 a.m. at Orange Preparatory Academy Auditorium***
- ***Tuesday – Friday, September 4 – 7 – Staff Professional Development***
- ***Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, September 5, 6, 7 – Preschool Registration (See flyers below)***
- ***Monday, September 10 - First Day of School for Students and Million Father March (See flyer below)***
- ***Tuesday, September 11 – Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying Policy Training, 3:30 – 5:30 p.m. Board of Education Building***
- ***Tuesday, September 11 – Monthly Board of Education Meeting, 7:30 p.m. at Orange Preparatory Academy Auditorium***
- ***Monday, September 27 – Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying Policy Training, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m., Board of Education Building***



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PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR SEPTEMBER 2012

REQUIREMENTS:

- **3 years old by 10/01/12** **4 years old by 10/01/12**
- **Must be resident of Orange Township**
- **Original Birth Certificate**
- **Child's Immunization record**
- **Current lease or Mortgage Statement**
- **2 Proofs of Residency (PSE&G bill, telephone or cable bill)**
- **Picture ID**

If you are living with a friend or relative, you must bring their current lease or mortgage statement. In addition, you must bring a **completed Residency Affidavit (you must pick this form up from the District Registrar, complete form and return to registrar for approval) located at 400 Lincoln Avenue, Orange High School during the hours of 9:00 A.m. to 12:00 Noon, prior to registering your child.**

Registration Days: WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY and FRIDAY

Dates: SEPTEMBER 5, 6, and 7

Time: 10AM – 3:00 P.M.

Last sign in 2:30pm

PLACE: ORANGE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER
397 PARK AVENUE, ORANGE, NJ 07050
973- 672-0251

IF YOU ARE CONCERNED YOUR PRESCHOOL CHILD IS DEVELOPING OR LEARNING DIFFERENTLY, YOU CAN CALL THE DISTRICT TO REQUEST AN EVALUATION FOR PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION AND RELATED SERVICES.



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REGISTRACIÓN PREESCOLAR

REQUISITOS:

- 3 AÑOS ANTES DE 10/01/12
 - 4 AÑOS ANTES DE 10/01/12
 - DEBE SER RESIDENTE DEL MUNICIPIO DE ORANGE
 - PARTIDA DE NACIMIENTO ORIGINAL
 - EXPEDIENTE DE INMUNIZACIONES DEL NIÑO/NIÑA
 - DECLARACIÓN ACTUAL DEL ARRIENDO O DE LA HIPOTECA
 - Identificación de fotos
 - **2 Pruebas de Residencia (recibo de PSE&G, teléfono o recibo del cable) deben ser actual.**
- Si esta viviendo con un amigo o un pariente en una **casa privada, el propietario tiene que proporcionar la prueba de residencia.** Adicionalmente, el Affidavit debe ser completado por usted y por el propietario. Si usted reside con un amigo en un edificio de apartamento, el Propietario o la Agencia que Maneja el edificio, deben de completar el Affidavit **formulario proporcionado en Orange High School entre 9:00am – 12:00 PM . Cuando completen el affidavit debe de ser aprobado por el registrador del distrito antes de venir al Ministerio de Educación a hacer la matricula.**

REGISTRACIÓN: Miercoles, Jueves, y Viernes 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Tiene que firmar antes de las 2:30pm

Septiembre 5, 6, y 7

**LUGAR: ORANGE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER
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- 2. Meet the Principal and Teacher**
- 3. Obtain information about school activities**

All Elementary Schools Are Participating

Contact Matt Stevens, Department of Special Programs
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