

Update on 2018 Summer Programming and the Summer Dreamers Academy

Education Committee Meeting
September 5, 2018

Expect great things.



Out-of-School Time

- High-quality, engaging, and accessible before, during, after-school, and summer experiences
- Our three biggest areas of work are...
 - After-School Academy: 21st Century Community Learning Centers
 - OST Partnerships: We currently partner with nearly 100 partner organizations serving our students in the OST space
 - Summer Dreamers Academy & Summer Program Coordination



June 25 – August 1, 2018

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Fast Facts:

- 300 in-coming PPS kindergarteners served
- Camper attendance was approx. 70%
- 6 locations (3 with Summer Dreamers & 3 in ECE Centers)
- Followed the Summer Dreamers model – academics in the morning (Big Day for PreK) & enrichment in the afternoon (The Carnegie Science Center, Gateway to the Arts, WQED's PBS Kids, The Children's Museum, & the Carnegie Library)
- Program funding was provided by MDRC.

Feedback from families:

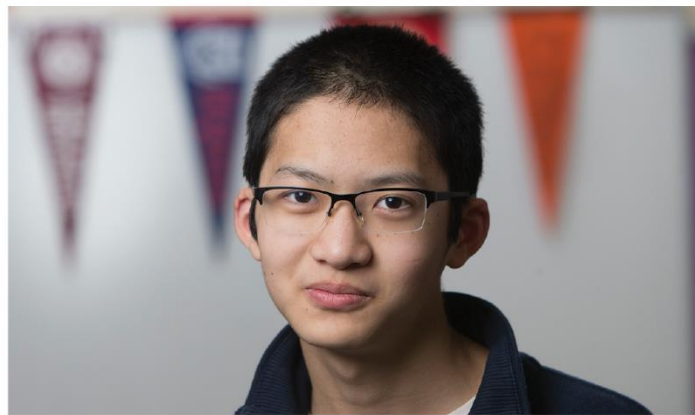
- “My daughter felt love & encouragement from her teachers. She enjoyed the classroom activities & would often want to recreate them at home.”
- “Thank you for working with my son this summer. I just want to add that this free programming is great for parents like us, otherwise the cost would make it impossible to give our children these experiences.”
- “I noticed my son started to do more math & communicate more with adults.”
- “My daughter made new friends & learned about topics that were not yet discussed in preschool.”



The main objectives of Little Dreamers Academy were to:

- Prepare children to be ready for kindergarten academically & social-emotionally.
- Expose children to a variety of hands-on STEAM activities.
- Provide children with a safe, fun, & education summer program.





String Camp 2018

June 18 - 22



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String Camp 2018



Again this summer, the Arts Education Department hosted **String Camp**. A dedicated week-long camp for students playing the violin, viola, cello, or bass. This year's camp was held at Allegheny K-5 and included field trips to the Aviary and Children's Museum.

Participation	Students Enrolled	Students Attended
2018	35	20
2017	37	26

String Camp 2018



Regional Participation	North	South	East	West	Central
2018	0	3	11	2	4
2017	2	5	13	3	3

The culminating concert was held Friday, June 22nd at the Children's Museum with 150 guests in attendance .



Instruments	2018	2017
Violin	8	19
Viola	4	5
Cello	7	1
Bass	1	1
TOTAL	20	26



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Summer Academy!



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The Look...





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The Feel...





The Results!

- Served over 100 scholars from Hill District, Homewood, and West End neighborhoods
 - Over 6-week camp, average daily scholar attendance was 71%!
 - Unique Summer Academy activities:
 - 3-day stay at Robert Morris University for college immersion
 - Visits to corporate headquarters of Covestro, Giant Eagle, Koppers, Lamar Advertising, and McKinsey
 - Culminating event: Olympics of the Mind curriculum/athletic challenges



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Thank You!

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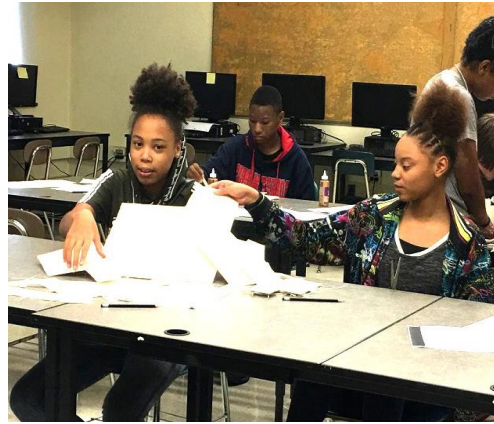


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2018 Programming Highlights



In 2018, the Summer Dreamers Academy:

- Expanded to 4 sites (three K-5, and one 6-8)
- Served over 1,500 Campers (1,523)
- Employed 185 District staff
- Employed 43 youth workers
- Partnered with 18 community organizations who led 27 enrichment activities

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SDA Statistics from 2018

	Summer Dreamers (Average)	PPS (Average)
African American	64% (975)	52%
Economically Disadvantaged	75% (1142)	63%
IEP	23% (350)	19%
English Language Learners	11% (146)	5%

Regular attendance rate (at least 20 days attended) was 49%

- Average attendance days: 17
- Average daily attendance: 63%

Parent & Teacher Feedback

Parent Feedback:

- 100% agree their child enjoyed their time
- 97% agree their child tried something new
- 95% believe their child benefitted academically

Teacher Feedback:

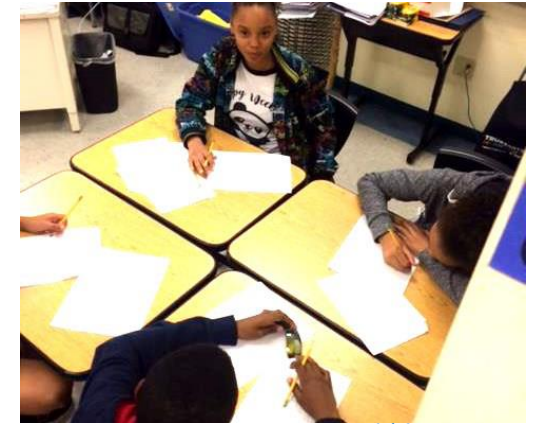
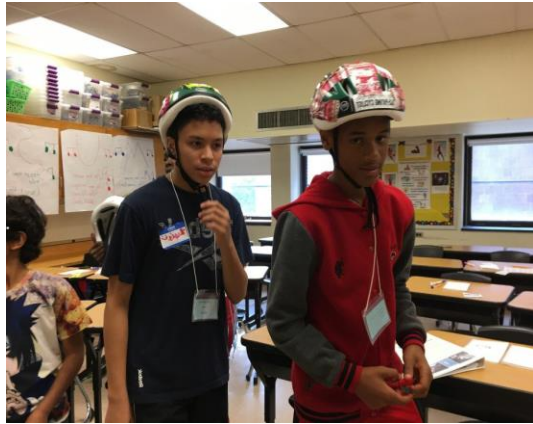
- 98% agree that faculty and staff enjoy teaching at SDA
- 95% agree that SDA helped them to become better teachers
- 85% learned skills or techniques that will be applicable to their school year

Camper Feedback

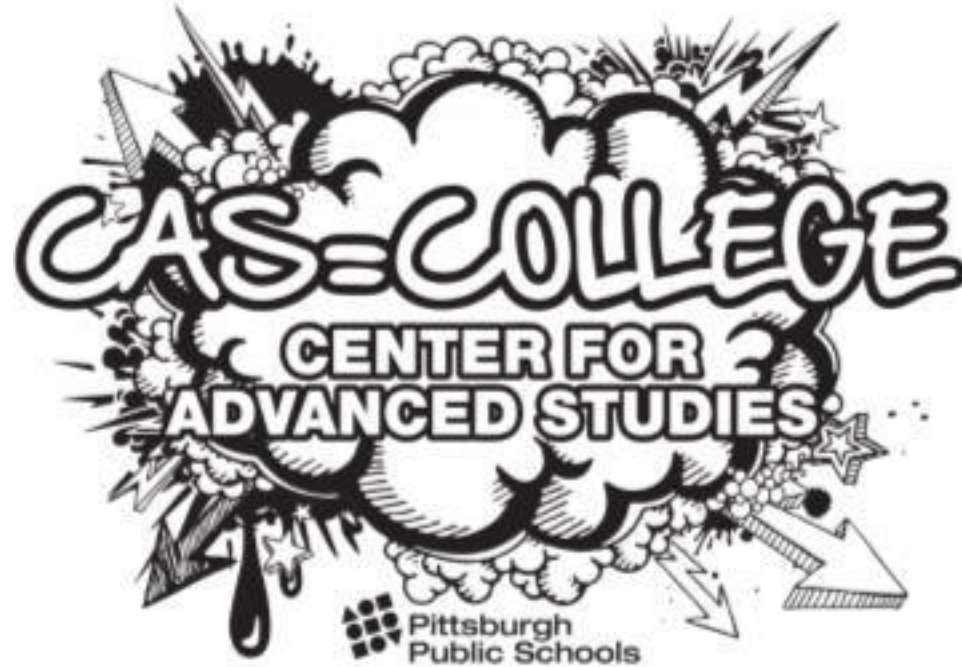
What was your favorite part of summer?



Describe 1 thing SDA helped you get better at.



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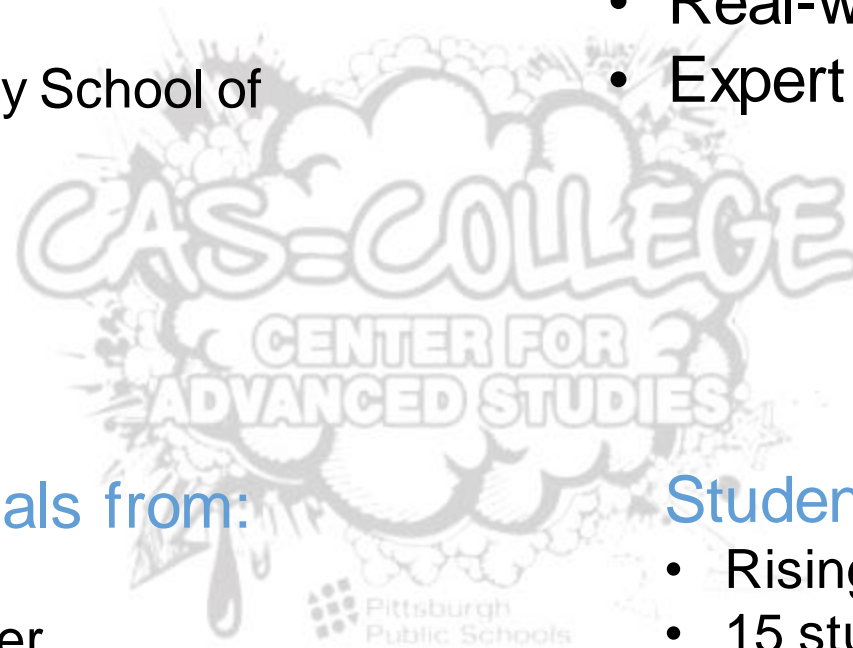


Collaboration with:

- University of Pittsburgh i3 Students
- University of Pittsburgh High School Gene Team
- Magee Women's Hospital
- Carnegie Mellon University School of Computer Science

Academics:

- Curriculum aligned to state standards and PPS curricular requirements for CAS
- Real-world project-based learning
- Expert experience



Exposure to Professionals from:

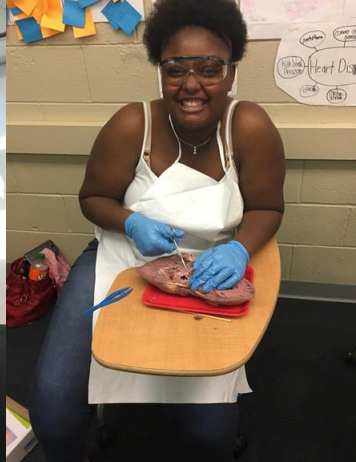
- Pittsburgh Public
- UPMC Cancer Researcher
- Allegheny Health Department
- Local Photographers and Videographers

Students:

- Rising 9th graders
- 15 students totals (3W, 10B, 2H)
- 13/15 students made qualifications to enroll in CAS (3W, 9B, 1H)
- Currently enrolled: Allderdice, Brashear, Carrick, Obama, Perry, University-Prep

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Continued Coordination: Next Steps

- The office of Out-of-School Time exists to ensure all PPS students have access and exposure to opportunities and experiences that complement, enhance, and extend learning that occurs during the school day through a coordinated network of high quality community partners.
- During the 2018-2019 school year, the OST office will continue our service to students by operating afterschool programming at Brashear, Perry, and Faison.
- We are already in the process of planning our 2019 Summer Dreamers program!