

# Greater Lowell Tech Summer Enrichment Program empowers future leaders through core values of R.E.A.C.H.



Participants in the Greater Lowell Technical High School Summer Enrichment Program.

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TYNGSBORO — Greater Lowell Technical High School’s annual Summer Enrichment Program brought together more than a quarter of the incoming Class of 2027 and dozens of upperclassmen student leaders.

This year, the program’s theme, “Express Yourself,” focused on letting students stay true to themselves while meeting fellow freshmen, upperclassmen, and academic and technical staff members. While “expressing themselves,” participants delved into the school’s core values of R.E.A.C.H. (Respect, Effort, Accountability, Commitment, and Honesty), fostering personal growth and cultivating essential leadership skills.

The Summer Enrichment Program, held from July 10-28, aimed to equip students with the tools necessary to excel academically and personally, preparing them for a successful transition to Greater Lowell Technical High School.

On the first day of the program, incoming freshman Laura Bautista, of Lowell, was nervous because her friends from middle school were in a different group. At the end of the program, Bautista stated, “I’m so happy and thankful I did this; the first day when I came in, I just wanted to be with her, but I made new friends, and that was the greatest thing.”

Throughout the program, the incoming freshmen had the invaluable opportunity to connect with their upperclassmen student leaders, who served as mentors and role models. These exceptional leaders demonstrated and embodied the R.E.A.C.H. values, inspiring their younger peers to strive for excellence in all aspects of their lives.

Students also visited Lala Books in Lowell to select a book for their summer reading assignment, bowled at Bowlero in Lowell, and on their last day participated in a field day, awards ceremony, and barbecue.

Summer Program Coordinator Stacey O’Keefe, Student Leader Coordinator Kaitlin Monahan, Summer School Food Service Coordinator Ricardo Colunga Hernandez and more than 25 faculty and staff supported the program.

Other teachers who supported the program are: Jillian Anno, Davy Herrick, Kara Theall, Michael Weitz, Grace Knight, Richard Zaker, Danielle DeBoer, Sonia Dickson, Lindsay Ferreira, Cheryl Garrigan, Davy Herrick, Danielle Howes, Rebecca Isbell, Dave Iverson, Joy Keefe, Micaela King, Richard Martin, Mani Mathai, Shannon Mitton, Elkin Montoya, Deb Mullen, William Provencher, Mark Robson, Megan Sun and Doreen Tanguay.

Student leaders who supported the program are: Jakayla Anderson, Laura Barden, Alanna Bastein, Jake Bonnett, Logan Briggs, Kimora Bun, Cameron Cloutier, Anthony Cloutier, Tiffany De Oliveira, Rebeca Garcia, Jasmine Gonzalez, Hannah Gonzalez, Ashleinis Guerrero, Jordan Hafez, Samantha Hastie, Jake Kruszczyński, Victoria Kusi, Thomas LeBlanc, Dani Leger, Gabby Lopez, Thomas Marshall, Kaidah Masa, Giovanna Masson, Frachesin Matos, Michael Morgan, Emma Morris, Naan-Wynn timer Kerreedh Noel, Aaliyah Nunez, Julie Oum, Logan Perry, David Roy, Aiden Simmons, Dennis Thoeun, Shelby Wyman, and Ava Ziagos.

“The success of the Summer Enrichment Program is a testament to Greater Lowell Technical High School’s unwavering commitment to providing a well-rounded and supportive learning environment,” said Superintendent Jill Davis. “As the incoming freshmen begin their high school journey, they do so armed with essential skills and a strong sense of purpose, knowing they are part of a school community that values integrity, collaboration, and personal growth.”