

# PATHWAYS TO COLLEGE ENRICHMENT PROGRAM



# CAMP INNOVATION PATHWAYS TO COLLEGE PROGRAM GRADES K-9

# **SPRING 2020**

Saturdays, March 7-March 21, 2020, 9:00 – 11:30 am

Northern Kentucky University's Camp Innovation Pathways to College Program is an innovative program designed for youth to discover and explore advanced content and engaged learning. All classes provide the opportunity for students to share interests with other children while exploring pathways to intellectual development, academic enhancement, career exploration, technology, and creative artistic fulfillment.

We encourage students to choose their own classes on a first-come first-served basis.

# **DATES AND LOCATION**

- Spring 2020 semester courses will be held Saturdays, March 7-21
- Sessions meet from 9:00 11:30 AM
- Classes are held in Landrum Hall on the beautiful campus of Northern Kentucky University

# WHAT MAKES NKU'S CAMP INNOVATION PROGRAM EXCEPTIONAL?

- Camp Innovation attracts a diverse group of gifted, talented and creative people from all over our region! You will find **friends** who share your interests and love of learning.
- Career exploration pathways incorporated into every class.
- Classes are **fun!** Classes are interesting and interactive with a focus on transdisciplinary learning, technology integration, and authentic real-world learning.
- Emphasis on intellectual challenge through critical and creative thinking.
- Environment that values creativity, diversity, entrepreneurship, and achievement.
- Parents are invited to attend our FREE Parent Place workshops for coffee, networking, and stimulating conversations.
- Personal attention from talented and caring teachers. All teachers receive specialized training and ongoing support to help them meet the unique needs of gifted youth.
- Small class sizes for caring, personalized, and differentiated instruction.
- Technology is infused throughout the Camp Innovation program.

# **PARENT PLACE WORKSHOPS**

• Parents, educators, and interested community members are welcome to attend our **FREE** Parent Place workshops offered each week during the Camp Innovation Program.

# CAMP INNOVATION NATITUTE TOR Talent Development & Gifted Studies

# REGISTRATION

- Registration is available online: <a href="http://gifted.nku.edu/">http://gifted.nku.edu/</a> or via phone: 859-572-5600 before Monday, March 2, 2020.
- **Tuition \$100** (Need-based financial scholarships are available for anyone who qualifies for free or reduced lunch. For further information, call 859-572-5600.)
- Course Material Fees are paid directly to the teacher on the first day of class.
- There will be an additional \$30 processing fee for registrations received after March 2, 2020.
- Students are placed in classes on a first-come, first-served basis, and many classes will fill before the application deadline. *For the best selection of classes, apply early.*
- Students will receive an emailed confirmation once registered.
- The Camp Innovation Pathways to College Program reserves the right to close or cancel prior to the first class meeting or make any necessary schedule changes. Any changes will be communicated via email to the address provided when registering.

### **REFUNDS**

- Full refunds, minus a \$30 processing fee, may be given prior to March 2, 2020.
- No refunds will be made after March 2, 2020.
- Any child whose behavior disrupts the learning of others will be discontinued as a participant in the Camp Innovation Pathways to College program. There will be no refund of fees under these conditions.

# **EMERGENCY CLOSINGS**

- In case of inclement weather or any unforeseen emergency, the Camp Innovation Pathways to College Program reserves the right to cancel a class without make-up class or refund. In the unlikely event of inclement weather, we will try to reschedule if at all possible.
- In the event of inclement weather or unforeseen emergency, the program director will send an email to all participants. Also refer to the NKU webpage <a href="http://nku.edu">http://nku.edu</a> for weather-related announcements.

## PUBLICITY AND MEDIA WAIVER

All students enrolled in the Camp Innovation Pathways to College Program and their
parents/guardians grant permission to capture and/or record the participant's name, image,
likeness, persona, photograph, or voice, in any media and/or technology now known or later
developed. Such use of her name, image, likeness, persona, photograph, or voice can be used
throughout the world for educational, commercial, trade, or any other lawful purpose.

# **BUILDERS (GRADES K-3) COURSES:**

# Amazing Animal Artists, Grades K-5, Material Fee \$15

Learn to be an awesome animal artist in this fun class. We will learn about animals while creating amazing pieces of art. You will leave this class with your own inspired artistic animals.

# Champion Chess Masters in Training, Grades 2-9, Material Fee \$25

Are you a chess beginner or perhaps you are ready to take your chess playing skills to the next level? In this class, you will learn all about the world of chess. You will learn how to compete in tournament style chess competitions while expanding your critical thinking skills. A few colleges have full scholarships for chess! With the materials fee, you will receive an official tournament chess set, board and a bag for them. Class may be repeated to further develop your skills.

# Grossologists: Icky, Sticky Scientific Fun! Grades K-3, Material Fee \$15

Are you ready to get slimy? Are you ready to get your hands in goo? In this fun class, we will explore a variety of science topics through hands-on, messy experiments. You will follow the scientific method while learning major science concepts. We will expand our thinking while observing, measuring, and observing. Be prepared to get MESSY in this class! This class will feature a live animal visit from Cool Critters Outreach.

## Origami Fun with Art and Geometry, Grades K-3, Material Fee \$5

Calling all artists! In this class, students will explore ways to use geometric tools to create art. Join us to create realistic scenes while learning how to draw 3-D shapes. We will use paper and the art of origami to create 3-D objects. Students will also explore the beauty of symmetry

### Space Explorers, Grades K-3, Material Fee \$10

Join us on this space adventure as we journey into outer space and explore the planets, constellations, stars, supernovas, white holes, and comets? Take this exciting journey through outer space with us. Each week through hands-on activities, experiments and games we will learn what a thrilling place the universe really is.



# STEM Explorers: Ozobot and Sphero Robotics, Grades K-3, Material Fee \$10

Join us on this one-of-a-kind robotics exploration! We will immerse ourselves into the world of robotics through fun, team-based activities. We will work with Ozobots and Sphero Bolt systems to design, construct, and program robots to solve challenges. You will need your creative thinking and STEM skills for this amazing class.

# Zoo Explorations, Grades K-3, Materials Fee \$15

Do you love our Zoo? Love animal trivia and crafts? Have you ever wondered which tiger our zookeepers call "the sassy one" or which elephant used to walk in the Reds Opening Day parade? Join in the fun as we explore some history of our local Cincinnati Zoo and learn some of the animals' names and unique characteristics! We'll even discover what it would be like to be a zookeeper protecting animals from around the globe! Join us on this exciting animal adventure!



# **INNOVATORS (GRADES 3-6) COURSES:**

# Amazing Animal Artists, Grades K-5, Material Fee \$15

Learn to be an awesome animal artist in this fun class. We will learn about animals while creating amazing pieces of art. You will leave this class with your own inspired artistic animals.

# Champion Chess Masters in Training, Grades 2-9, Material Fee \$25

Are you a chess beginner or perhaps you are ready to take your chess playing skills to the next level? In this class, you will learn all about the world of chess. You will learn how to compete in tournament style chess competitions while expanding your critical thinking skills. A few colleges have full scholarships for chess! With the materials fee, you will receive an official tournament chess set, board and a bag for them. Class may be repeated to further develop your skills.

# Crafty Creators, Grades 3-6, Materials Fee \$10

Use your imagination to create crafty masterpieces using glue, paint, glitter, photographs, and more. These DIY projects are something you can personalize, modify, and take home to enjoy over and over again. If you've taken Crafty Creators before, these projects are all new so you are sure to get a new experience.

# CSI Investigators, Grades 3-5, Material Fee \$10

Join the investigations as we learn about crime scenes, eyewitness basics, physical evidence, and fingerprinting. We will apply our scientific knowledge, creativity, and investigative skills working as a CSI Investigators.

### Dance! Grades 3-5, Material Fee \$0

Have fun and exercise! We will learn simple routines in different styles based on student preferences. Students will have the opportunity to choreograph their own routines and teach the class. *Parents may arrive a half hour early on the last day to be treated to a recital.* 

# Imagine, Design, Create: You Can Be a Graphic Designer, Grades 2-5, Materials Fee \$20

Have you ever wanted to create your own designs and turn them into reality? In this class we will become graphic designers and learn how to bring ideas to life – from designing and creating t-shirts, to mugs, and wooden signs! We will make different creations each week using math, art, technology, and use our imaginations to bring our ideas to life!

## Shark Tank, Grades 3-5, Material Fee \$5

Are you an entrepreneur? If so, bring your creativity to NKU's Camp Innovation Shark Tank! We will invent, explore, and solve problems by designing a prototype of our new invention. At the end of the course, we will present our ideas to the Sharks who will decide if they want to become "investor". Join us to practice research skills, public speaking, engineering and creativity all in the Shark Tank.



# **GROUNDBREAKERS (GRADES 5-9) COURSES:**

# Champion Chess Masters in Training, Grades 2-9, Material Fee \$25

Are you a chess beginner or perhaps you are ready to take your chess playing skills to the next level? In this class, you will learn all about the world of chess. You will learn how to compete in tournament style chess competitions while expanding your critical thinking skills. A few colleges have full scholarships for chess! With the materials fee, you will receive an official tournament chess set, board and a bag for them. Class may be repeated to further develop your skills.

# Graphic Designers Academy, Grades 5-9, Materials Fee \$20

Have you ever wanted to create your own designs and turn them into reality? In this class we will become graphic designers and learn how to bring ideas to life – from designing and creating t-shirts, to mugs, and wooden signs! We will make different creations each week using math, art, technology, and use our imaginations to bring our ideas to life!

# The Magical Marketing of Disney, Grades 6-9, Materials Fee \$0

The Walt Disney Company needs your help! They are challenging you to create the ultimate Disney™ theme park. But before you can create the park, you must first understand how to get people excited about coming to experience it. Take an exciting journey backstage to see how The Walt Disney Company uses its characters, movies, and products to create magical experiences that appeal to all ages at its theme parks. Learn the four P's of marketing and use them to create your version of the ultimate Disney theme park! Select the rides, attractions, and shows and put together a plan to convince people to come experience the park you have created. Problem-solving, critical and creative thinking, collaboration, and a magical imagination are required!

## Video Game Designers, Grades 4-9, Material Fee \$0

We will become our own video game developers in this hands-on, minds-on class. Learn the skills and techniques necessary to design and program your own video games using professional game development software, while expanding your skills as we learn how to incorporate a multitude of fun new features into video games! You will strengthen your math, science, logic, and artistic skills while gaining a sense of self-confidence! **Students enrolled in this class need to bring a 1 GB USB drive with them to class.** 











NKU's *Camp Innovation Pathways to College Program* is endorsed by the Northern Kentucky Association for Gifted Education

# A Message From Our Director:

I am eager to share with you the Institute for Talent Development and Gifted Studies' Spring 2020 *Camp Innovation Pathways to College* course catalog. Whether we are meeting for the first time this spring or you're a long-time friend, I can't wait to share with you what we have planned through the Institute in 2020.

At NKU's Institute for Talent Development and Gifted Studies, we believe all children should be provided with educational and enrichment experiences matched to their unique needs and interests. Talent can be developed by matching one's interests, abilities, and aptitude with the rig



developed by matching one's interests, abilities, and aptitude with the right opportunities, experiences, and challenges. All learners should be provided with experiences that motivate, encourage perseverance, develop creativity, and enable them to grow intellectually, emotionally, and socially. At NKU, we aim to provide content-rich programming that builds confidence and competence while also deepening understanding of complex ideas.

We have many activities planned for this spring, including the *Camp Innovation Pathways to College Program* for students in kindergarten through ninth grade; our *Parent Place* workshops; and DreamFest Conference in collaboration with the Northern Kentucky Association For Gifted Education. Our graduate gifted endorsement and micro-credential courses continue to be offered online throughout the year. We will be adding additional programming throughout the spring; updates can be found on our <u>Facebook page</u> and <u>website</u>.

**Did you know that the Institute is self-sustaining?** We are able to offer our programs because of your continued support. There is so much more we would like to offer for students, educators, parents, and community stakeholders. If you would like to support any of our current or future programs, please contact Dr. Kimberly Code at <a href="mailto:gifted@nku.edu">gifted@nku.edu</a> or 859-572-6685. Our programs are better because of parent, educator, and community stakeholder collaboration.

# **Mark Your Calendar**

Summer Camp Innovation Program, June 8-12, 2020

Fall Camp Innovation, Saturdays, November 7-21, 2020

**At Northern Kentucky University** 

# **ABOUT NORTHERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY'S INSTITUTE FOR TALENT DEVELOPMENT AND GIFTED STUDIES:**

The mission of the Institute for Talent Development and Gifted Studies is to be the standard bearer of talent development and gifted education. We aim to address the unique needs of youth with demonstrated gifts and talents as well as those who may be able to develop their talent potential with appropriate educational experiences.

The Institute shares Northern Kentucky University's three-part mission of teaching, scholarship, and public engagement by being a comprehensive and valued resource for students, educators, community stakeholders, and parents in the regional community; innovating educational technology best practices that support the precocious abilities of gifted and talented youth; and conducting rigorously applied research on topics relevant and useful to gifted and talented students, educators, community stakeholders, and parents.

The Institute strives to develop collaborative, meaningful partnerships with businesses, community agencies, and educational institutions in support of high potential and gifted youth.

NKU's Institute for Talent Development and Gifted Studies thanks our partner organizations:









for CIVIC ENGAGEMENT







COLLEGE OF **Education & Human Services**