



Thursday, November 9, 2017

Dear Colleague,

The following is a list of items included in this packet.

- Cover Letter
- Family Letter (English and Spanish version)
- GEM Application Form
- GEM Financial Aid Application Form
- New Student Recommendation Form
- GEM Application Information Packet
- GEM Flyer (English and Spanish version)
- WCATY Summer Programs Flyer
- Two (2) GEM Posters
- Four (4) GEM Brochures

We hope you find this information useful. If you have questions regarding any of the information enclosed, please contact the WCATY office at wcaty@education.wisc.edu or by phone at (608) 890-3260.

Thank you!

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Dear Colleague,

As part of the University of Wisconsin- Madison, the Wisconsin Center for Academically Talented Youth (WCATY) has been partnering with Wisconsin public schools to provide challenge in a variety of formats: Math 24, the Online Academy, professional development and listening sessions, and our Summer Programs. At the heart of all these initiatives have been Wisconsin's advanced learners. Currently, we partner with you to challenge more than 2,000 Wisconsin students each year. Created out of community need, the Growing Early Minds (GEM) program is designed to challenge and engage advanced learners in grades one through four. Students will be exposed to advanced concepts that feed their curious minds. Social and emotional curriculum components are also interwoven throughout the program. After a successful full year of GEM last year, WCATY has expanded its GEM programming to include first grade students:

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Here are some things we would like to highlight for you as the teacher/coordinator:

- Application materials are available in Spanish upon request.
- We believe in equal opportunities and access to programs. There are full or partial scholarships made available through WCATY donors for families who may need financial assistance. There is a GEM financial aid form available online under the "School Year Forms" page.
- If a student is new to the GEM program, you may be asked to fill out the New Student Recommendation Form. You have the option of sending the form to WCATY yourself or giving it to the family to submit.
- We value and appreciate ideas and feedback from the greater gifted community. We would welcome any additional ideas you may have of ways WCATY can support you and your school.
- We have both in person and online programming over the course of the entire year for students in 1st through 12th grades. Some information on these programs can be found in this packet, and more extensive information on all of these programs can be found on our website at wcaty.wisc.edu.

Thank you for helping us share this information with your community.

Respectfully,

Katie Effertz
GEM Program Coordinator

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Dear Families,

The Wisconsin Center for Academically Talented Youth is a statewide, year-round organization out of the University of Wisconsin- Madison dedicated to serving gifted and talented students by providing programs that support, motivate, and challenge. Our community strives to provide an engaging learning place conducive to rapid academic growth and establishment of meaningful connections. Created out of community need, the Growing Early Minds (GEM) program is designed to challenge and engage advanced learners in grades one through four. Students will be exposed to advanced concepts that feed their curious minds. Social and emotional curriculum components are also interwoven throughout the program. After a successful full year of GEM last year, WCATY has expanded its GEM programming to include first grade students.

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- Specific program information will be mailed home to you once you have been accepted.

If you have any questions throughout the process, please feel free to call the WCATY office at 608-890-3260 or email Katie at effertz@wisc.edu. We look forward to having you as part of the WCATY community.

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Jueves, el 9 de noviembre, 2017

Estimadas Familias,

Wisconsin Center for Academically Talented Youth (WCATY) es una organización perteneciente a la Universidad de Wisconsin en Madison que busca cubrir todo el estado de Wisconsin con programas y actividades durante todo el año. Los programas de WCATY están dedicados a servir a estudiantes dotados y talentosos a través de clases que los apoyen, motiven y desafíen. Nuestro staff se esfuerza por proveer un lugar de aprendizaje propicio para promover un rápido crecimiento académico y el establecimiento de conexiones significativas entre nuestros estudiantes. Growing Early Minds (GEM), uno de los programas de WCATY, se creó como una respuesta a las necesidades de la comunidad y busca atraer estudiantes avanzados que estén cursando entre Primer y Cuarto grado. En GEM los estudiantes serán expuestos a nuevos conceptos y conocimiento que buscan alimentar su curiosidad intelectual así como a componentes sociales y emocionales, los cuales están entrelazados a lo largo de todo el plan de estudios de nuestro programa. WCATY ha expandido el programa GEM este año escolar para incluir las siguientes sesiones:

GEM Día Familiar (sábado 2 de diciembre 2017)

¡Familias de GEM tanto nuevas como antiguas están invitadas a asistir! Experimenta todas las clases en un día y participa en diversos talleres y actividades. El costo por este evento es \$30 por familia. La fecha límite de registro es el 18 de noviembre. No necesitas haber asistido a este evento para matricularte en las clases ofrecidas por el programa GEM en la sesión de invierno o la sesión de verano.

GEM Sesión de Invierno (Cinco sábados desde el 3 de febrero hasta el 3 de marzo 2018)

Durante la sesión de febrero, su hijo podrá escoger una de las clases a las cuales asistir. Las clases comienzan a las 9:00 am y terminan a las 11:30 pm. Las cinco "categorías de contenido" son matemáticas, ingeniería, escritura, ciencia y estudios sociales. Hay clases diferentes para grado 1, grados 2 y 3 y para grados 3 y 4. El costo es \$222 por sesión por estudiante; aunque podemos ofrecer ayuda financiera para suplir el costo de registro, si es necesario. La fecha límite de registro es el 20 de enero 2018. Para más información sobre las clases, como aplicar, y como registrarse, visita nuestro sitio web: wcaty.wisc.edu.

GEM Sesión del Verano (El 23 de julio- El 27 de julio 2018)

Al igual que nuestra sesión de invierno, los estudiantes podrán escoger una clase para tomar durante la sesión de verano. Más detalles sobre la sesión de verano serán publicados a fines de diciembre. El registro para la sesión de verano lo abriremos a principios de enero.

Cosas importantes que nos gustaría que supieras:

- Los materiales para registrarse y aplicar a GEM estarán disponible en español e inglés
- WCATY ofrece ayuda financiera a través de becas totales o parciales gracias al generoso aporte de nuestros donantes. Si necesitas una beca de ayuda financiera para asistir a GEM, busca el impreso de solicitud de ayuda financiera en el sitio web de WCATY en wcaty.wisc.edu
- Información específica del programa será enviada por correo una vez que hayas sido aceptado

Si tiene preguntas durante el proceso, por favor telefona a la oficina de WCATY al 608-890-3260 o envía un email a Katie a effertz@wisc.edu. ¡Estamos felices de saber de ustedes y de que sean miembros de la comunidad de WCATY!

Atentamente,

Katie Effertz
Coordinadora de Programa GEM

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Growing Early Minds Application Form

(Please only use this form if the online application is not an option)



Application Checklist:

GEM February Deadline: January 20, 2018

Financial Aid Deadline: January 20, 2018

As a New Student (Applicants who have not already completed a WCATY program):

- Completed application form (online applications are preferred)
- \$30 application fee
- New Student Recommendation Form
- ONE option from below:
 - Option 1: Copy of current year or previous semester grade report
 - Option 2: Copy of most recent standardized test scores (WKCE, CogAT, STAR, etc.)
 - Option 3: Copy of best work in a field of study similar in nature to the selected WCATY course. This could be a project, student writing, etc.

As a returning Student (Applicants who have already successfully completed a WCATY program):

- Completed application form (online applications are preferred)
- \$30 application fee
- Current year or semester grade report

Admissions Criteria: Admission to the program will be based on evaluation of a variety of criteria; no single score or application item will determine a student’s eligibility or acceptance. The program seeks students with a variety of outstanding academic, leadership, and creative talents. We encourage new students to submit

Demographic Data:

How did you hear about WCATY? Email Print Catalog Website Word of mouth School teacher /GT coordinator
School presentation or fair _____ Other _____

Have you attended a previous WCATY program? Yes No

If yes, please list: _____

Student Information: (please type or print and keep a copy for your records.)

Applicant Name: _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Current Grade: ____
First Last Middle Initial mm / dd / yy

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Preferred Gender: M F T-shirt size: Youth S Youth M Youth L Youth XL Other: _____

Race/Ethnicity (optional): Caucasian/White African-American/Black Hispanic Multiracial Asian/Pacific Islander American Indian Other

Program Costs:

All applications must be accompanied by the non-refundable \$30 application fee before they can be processed. Commuter student tuition includes all books, materials, supplies, lab fees, evening activity materials, and daily lunch. Students are responsible for spending money and selected activity/outings costs.

2017 Tuition Rates	Total Tuition per class session
GEM Student	\$222

Total Enclosed: \$ _____ (\$30 application fee must accompany application for processing.)

Method of Payment:

Check (Made out to UW- Madison) VISA Mastercard

Please note that the security of your financial information is of utmost importance. For this reason, WCATY cannot collect credit card information via email or in writing on this application form. If you wish to pay by credit card, please submit your information via WCATY's secure credit card payment site at www.wcaty.wisc.edu or contact WCATY at (608) 890-3260.

Five-Month Payment Plan:

If applicant is admitted, I request to pay tuition on the five-month payment plan. I understand that a Letter of Agreement outlining the terms of the five-month payment plan will be mailed to me and that I must sign and return it to the WCATY office no later than the program application deadline. I understand that the five-installment plan carries a finance charge of \$20.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Financial Aid:

Financial aid application is due January 20th. No late applications for financial aid will be accepted.

A limited amount of need-based financial aid funds are available. To apply for Financial Aid, please submit the following:

1. Completed summer program application (including all supporting documents) with the \$30 application fee.
2. Complete the WCATY "Growing Early Minds" financial aid application and send it in by January 20th.
3. If your family is eligible for Free or Reduced Lunch with the school, Fill out "Section 2" on the financial aid application.
4. Optional: Documentation of extenuating financial circumstances in the current year. (e.g. loss of job, foreclosure, illness).

Applications will be reviewed by WCATY's Financial Aid Committee and maintained in confidentiality. WCATY cannot offer financial aid to students who have not been admitted to the program; as such the **applicant's entire application including supporting documents (grade report, etc.) must be submitted to WCATY by January 20th.**

Note: There will be additional documents needed after acceptance into the GEM program.

To view our Privacy Policy, please visit <http://infolinks.wcatyweb.org/index.php/marketing/29-pp2>



Financial Aid Application

1st - 4th Grade Program
WCATY, UW- Madison

Wisconsin Center for Academically Talented Youth
Teacher Education, Suite 264
225 N. Mills St.
Madison, WI 53706
WCATY Fax: 608-265-4309



Instructions to the Student and Parent/Guardian:

This form is **only** for the "Growing Early Minds" Saturday program at WCATY. These students are in 1st through 4th grade and do not qualify for the Wisconsin DPI precollege scholarships. Everyone applying for financial assistance needs to fill out "Section 1" of the form.

- A. If your family is not eligible for Free or Reduced Lunch, you will need to provide an **additional cover letter** describing any family circumstances WCATY needs to take into account regarding financial hardship.
- B. If your family is eligible for Free or Reduced Lunch with the school, "Section 2" needs to be filled out and signed by a school official.

All financial aid materials are due to the WCATY office by **January 20, 2018**. They can either be mailed or faxed to the address or number on this form. Any questions concerning the financial aid application process can be directed to WCATY at wcaty@education.wisc.edu.

Section 1: Family Completes

Name Last	First	M.I.
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Street Address	City	State	Zip
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Date of Birth	Preferred Gender <input type="radio"/> Male <input type="radio"/> Female <input type="radio"/> Other
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Check all that apply

<input type="radio"/> American Indian or Alaska Native	<input type="radio"/> Black or African-American	<input type="radio"/> Asian
<input type="radio"/> Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	<input type="radio"/> Hispanic or Latino	<input type="radio"/> White or Caucasian
<input type="radio"/> I do not wish to identify		

Current Grade Level <input type="radio"/> 1st Grade <input type="radio"/> 2nd Grade <input type="radio"/> 3rd Grade <input type="radio"/> 4th Grade	School Attending and School District Name
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Check only ONE and follow directions

I do NOT qualify for Free or Reduced Price School Meals, but would like to be considered for financial assistance.
 Yearly income amount as listed on your most recent tax return: \$ _____
 Number of individuals in your household: _____
 Cover letter Attached: Yes No

I do qualify for Free or Reduced Price School Meals (Have school complete Section 2.)

I HEREBY AUTHORIZE that the information provided is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

I HEREBY AUTHORIZE release of my child's verification of Free or Reduced Price School Meals eligibility to WCATY.

Signature of Parent/Guardian X	Date Signed
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Section 2: School Completes

Instructions to the Principal, Food Service Authorized Representative, or Administrative Staff Member:
Please verify that this student is eligible for Free or Reduced Price School Meals and forward this application form to the WCATY contact information listed above.

Is this student eligible for Free or Reduced Price School Meals? Yes No

I have verified that this student is eligible for Free or Reduced Price School Meals and I recommend this student for a WCATY scholarship.

Name of Authorized Representative	Title	Telephone Area/No.
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Verification Signature X	Date Signed
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**Wisconsin Center for Academically Talented Youth
University of Wisconsin - Madison**

WCATY New Student Recommendation Form

This student is applying for admission to a WCATY program (Wisconsin Center for Academically Talented Youth at UW-Madison). If selected, the student will participate in a program where highly motivated and capable students participate in fast-paced accelerated or enrichment learning in a course of the student's choice. Your candid and thoughtful appraisal of the student's readiness for this type of experience is appreciated and ensures the best decision will be made on the student's behalf.

- Recommenders should be adults who have worked closely with the student applicant in an academic setting.
- The student's application is incomplete until WCATY receives this letter. As course placement is made on a first-come, first-served basis, please submit this form as soon as possible.
- If you would prefer that your Letters of Recommendation remain confidential, please submit directly to WCATY.

Student's Name: First: _____ Last: _____ Current Grade: _____

WCATY Program Student Applies for: Project A Online Academy ALP STEP PACE YSSP GEM

Recommender Info: Name: _____ Title: _____

School: _____ **Address:** _____ **Day Phone:** _____

E-Mail: _____ **How long & in what capacity do you know this student?** _____

Compared to other students in this grade level, please rate this student in the following areas:

Area	No Basis for Rating	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Exceptional
Academic Achievement	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Academic Potential	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Creative & Original Thinking	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Motivation & Curiosity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Leadership & Initiative	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Independent Learning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Problem-Solving Ability	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Organization & Work Habits	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Personal Qualities & Character	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

After reading the program and course descriptions, I:

- Strongly recommend Recommend with reservations Cannot recommend at this time

Please provide a couple sentences answering the following questions:

What 3-4 strengths and/or weaknesses will impact this student's success in an accelerated, above-grade-level, independent learning setting?



Application Information

This checklist contains useful information for completing your WCATY Growing Early Minds Saturday Program application. You will find below a timeline regarding all important due dates, an application checklist for both new and returning students, and a guide to frequently asked questions which we hope will alleviate any concerns. However, if any of your inquiries are not fulfilled, feel free to contact wcaty@education.wisc.edu.

Program Timeline

October 15: Applications open

January 20: Financial aid applications due (including all supporting documents)

January 20: GEM application due (including all supporting documents)

February 1: Tuition payment due

February 1: Health Form via Campdoc.com due

February 3: First Saturday

Applying to the GEM Program...

...As a New Student (Applicants who have not already completed a WCATY program):

- Completed application form (online applications are preferred)
- \$30 application fee
- New Student Recommendation Form
- ONE option from below: (to be posted in the Grade Report section of the online application)

Option 1:

- Copy of current year or semester grade report

Option 2:

- Copy of most recent standardized test scores (WKCE, CogAT, STAR, etc)

Option 3:

- Copy of best work in a field of study similar in nature to the selected WCATY course. This could be a project, student writing, etc.

...As a returning Student (Applicants who have successfully completed a WCATY program):

- Completed application form (online applications are preferred)
- \$30 application fee
- Most recent grade report or current grades in school

Frequently Asked Questions

General Application Process

Q: How should I submit my supporting documents?

A: The online application gives you the option to upload the documents directly into the application unit. You can upload any of the options under the "Grade Report." If uploading the documents is not an option for you, you may choose to either submit the documents via email (wcaty@education.wisc.edu) or by mail (address above).

Q: How do I check my progress?

A: Upon acceptance, the applicant will receive a letter in the mail. However, the application unit will additionally be a useful way to check the progress of the student's application progress. There are three steps to the application unit that are useful after turning in the initial application:

1. To see what supporting documents WCATY has received. Next to each required document, you will see "On File" if it is in the system. You have the option to upload the documents. If you send in your documents via email or mail, a WCATY staff member will put them in the system.
2. To check if the application has been approved and whether the student has then been enrolled.
3. To pay tuition. Note that only the total can be paid online. Any initial half payments can be sent by check or made over the phone. Contact details are in the payment section of this document.

Application Options:

1) Grade Report Option

Q: Does the grade report have to be in a specific format?

A: WCATY understands that grade report and assessment formats vary across the board; thus, whatever format the school district gives will be accepted.

Q: Which grade report should we send in?

A: Whatever is the most recent report available. Be it semester or quarter, it is best to turn in one now than to wait to receive another one in several weeks' time. If a new grade report comes in before WCATY has updated the status of the student's application, feel free to delete the old report and upload a new report into the application unit.

Q: Does the school have to submit the grade report?

A: No. You can turn in the grade report yourself by uploading the grade report into the application unit. You may also submit it to WCATY by faxing or scanning and emailing to the WCATY with the contact details at the bottom of the page.

2) Test Scores Option

Q: What test scores are WCATY looking for?

A: There are no specific test scores that WCATY requires. It need only be the standardized test that your school district is practicing (WKCE, CogAT, STAR, etc).



What is GEM?

The Growing Early Minds classes at the University of Wisconsin - Madison are designed to challenge and engage advanced learners in grades one through four. Students are exposed to advanced concepts that feed their curious minds. Each class is small and designed to enrich learning and introduce new areas of interest. Social and emotional curriculum components focus on fostering autonomy, encouraging development of growth mindset, and effective collaboration skills.



Sign Up For Classes

Winter Session:

Five-Week Saturday Program
February 3rd - March 3rd, 2018
Class Time: 9:00- 11:30 am
Registration Opens: October 15, 2017
App Fee: \$30 Tuition: \$222*

Summer Session:

Five-Day Academic Program
July 23rd- 27th, 2018
Class Time: 9:00- 11:30 am
Registration Opens: January 3, 2018
App Fee: \$30 Tuition: \$222*
Afternoon Field-Trip Option: \$100/Week

*Financial Aid Available

More Info At:
wcaty.wisc.edu

Attend GEM Family Day

December 2nd

On Saturday, December 2nd, WCATY will be hosting an event for both new and returning WCATY-GEM families.

Do you have a hard time choosing just *one* GEM class? Experience activities from all of them in one area, before enrolling in a full GEM session this Winter and/or Summer.

When

10:00-12:00 pm
December 2nd

Who

Students Grades 1-4
& Their Families

Where

UW-Madison

Cost

\$30 per family

Schedule:

- + 9:30 am- Registration
- + 10:00 am- Welcome and Opening Remarks
- + 10:15 am- "Open House" Style Class Activities
- + 11:00 am- Break Out Session 1
- + 11:30 am- Break Out Session 2

Registration Deadline: November 20

Register Online for the Family Day at:
<https://tinyurl.com/GEMFamilyDay2017>

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¿Qué es GEM?

GEM es la sigla en inglés para Growing Early Minds, o "haciendo crecer mentes jóvenes" en español. GEM es un programa de la Universidad de Wisconsin-Madison que está diseñado para exponer a los estudiantes a nuevos retos intelectuales que les permitan aumentar su conocimiento. GEM busca atraer estudiantes avanzados que estén cursando desde Primer a Cuarto grado. En GEM los estudiantes serán expuestos a nuevos conceptos que buscan alimentar su curiosidad intelectual. Con clases pequeñas y organizadas para exponer a los estudiantes a diversas áreas del conocimiento otro de los objetivos de GEM es aumentar el número de áreas de interés académico de los chicos. El plan de estudios incluye además un componente social y emocional que son central para fomentar la autonomía que permita el crecimiento intelectual, así como el desarrollo efectivo de habilidades que permita el trabajo colaborativo.



Quieres registrarte en nuestras clases

Sesión de Invierno:

Programa de cinco (5) semanas durante cinco (5) sábados consecutivos
Desde el 3 de febrero al 3 de marzo de 2018
Tiempo de la clase: 9:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
Regístrate desde el 3 de octubre de 2017 al 20 de enero de 2018
Costo: \$222 por clase* La cuota de solicitud: \$30

Sesión de Verano:

Programa académico de cinco (5) días
Desde el 23 de julio a el 27 de julio de 2018
Tiempo de la clase: 9:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
Regístrate desde el 3 de enero al 14 de mayo de 2018
Costo: \$222 por clase* La cuota de solicitud: \$30
Opción de viaje de campo por la tarde: \$100/semana

*Ayuda financiera disponible

Más información en línea a:
wcaty.wisc.edu



Asiste al Día Familiar de GEM

El 2 de diciembre

El sábado 2 de diciembre, WCATY tendrá el Día Familiar de GEM. En este evento WCATY presentará los programas que ofrece GEM a todas las familias interesadas. ¿No sabes que clase o que clases de GEM elegir? En nuestro Día Familiar, podrás tomar varias clases en un día y aprender de qué se trata cada una de ellas antes de tomar la decisión de qué clase te interesa para la sesión completa este Invierno y/o Verano.

Cuando

El sábado 2 de diciembre
desde las 10:00a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Quién

Estudiantes entre los
Grados 1-4 y sus familias

Donde

Universidad de
Wisconsin-Madison

Costo

\$30 por familia

El programa:

- + 9:30 a.m.- Matriculación
- + 10:00 a.m.- Bienvenida y comentarios de apertura
- + 10:15 a.m.- Actividades de Clases
- + 11:00 a.m.- Sesión de "Break Out" 1
- + 11:30 a.m.- Sesión de "Break Out" 2

Fecha tope para inscribirse y participar en el Día Familiar GEM: El 18 de noviembre de 2017

Registrar en línea para la Día de Familia a:
<https://tinyurl.com/GEMFamilyDay2017>

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2017-2018 WCATY Programs

Family Day: December 2, 2017
Winter Session: Saturdays, February 3-March 4, 2018
Summer Session: July 23-27, 2018
UW Madison



Grades: 1-4
Sessions: Winter, Summer
Format: Commuter
Work Load: 12+ instructional hours

The Growing Early Minds (GEM) program is designed to challenge and engage advanced learners in grades one through four. Students will be exposed to multidisciplinary concepts and themes that will feed their curious minds. Each class is small and designed to enrich learning and introduce new areas of interest, helping students expand their knowledge about the world and discover how much there truly is to learn. Social and emotional curriculum components will focus on fostering autonomy, encouraging development of growth mindset, and fostering effective collaboration skills.

The Accelerated Learning Program (ALP) gives gifted high school students the chance to learn and live alongside each other on the beautiful UW-Madison campus. ALP is an intense, three-week summer camp designed to push students to the next academic level while housing them in an intimate learning environment. Students enroll in a single course for an in-depth experience not possible in crowded high school schedules. Students gain insight from instructors who are experts in their fields. Above all, ALP students are carefully selected to cultivate an optimal learning environment where gifted students can interact, learn, and grow with each other.

July 1-July 21, 2018
UW Madison

Grades: 9-12
Sessions: Summer
Format: 3-week residential
Work Load: 105 instructional hours



July 22- August 4, 2018
UW Madison

Grades: 7-8
Sessions: Summer
Format: 2-week residential
Work Load: 50 instructional hours

The Summer Transitional Enrichment Program (STEP) gives an opportunity for students finishing grades 7-8 to spend two weeks on a college campus studying one accelerated course. STEP is designed to engage, intellectually challenge, and inspire. It offers a learning atmosphere that nurtures students' talents and abilities, enriches social life, and encourages creativity. WCATY strives to balance the academic and recreational sides of camp. This program is for those who are ready for above grade level challenge and are serious about having fun in and outside of the classroom with peers who share similar aspirations and interests.

The Pre-College Academic Campus Experience (PACE) gives current 5th through 8th grade students in the Greater Dane County community an opportunity to explore their current interests and passions with like-minded peers in a college setting. Students will spend one week taking one accelerated course designed specifically for middle school advanced learners on the UW-Madison campus. This program is designed to engage, intellectually challenge, and inspire young minds. Not only will you explore the area of study in your class, you will have the opportunity to spark your curiosity during on-campus field trips during the week.

July 8-13, 2018
UW Madison

Grades: 5-8
Sessions: Summer
Format: 1-week commuter
Work Load: 25+ instructional hours



June 24-30, 2018
UW-Madison

Grades: 4-6
Sessions: Summer
Format: 1-week residential
Work Load: 25 instructional hours

Young Students Summer Program (YSSP) classes are fast-paced and cover a great amount of material. Our philosophy is that students completing grades 4-6 need to learn about the many different avenues open to their curious minds. Each class is small and designed to enrich learning and introduce new disciplines, helping students expand their knowledge about the world and discover how much there truly is to learn. As students adjust to the summer camp atmosphere, they gain personal independence and connect with other bright students on a deeper level.

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