## THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA

#### CHIEF ACADEMIC SUPPORT OFFICE

440 NORTH BROAD STREET, SUITE 210
PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA 19130

CHERYL J. LOGAN

TELEPHONE (215) 400-4200 FAX (215) 400-4201

Dear School District of Philadelphia Community,

It is with great pleasure that I inform you of the summer opportunities available to our students this year. This year we have the resources available to provide summer enrichment and credit recovery opportunities for students. Below details the programs available to students:

#### Literacy Through The Arts

Literacy Through the Arts is being offered in ten schools to select students from those schools who are invited by their principal. Participants will experience unique literacy enrichment activities integrated with the arts to improve reading comprehension by increasing students' connection to what they read. The program will operate for students July 10 to July 21, Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM to 2:45 PM. Students will receive breakfast and lunch. Transportation will not be provided.

## Office of College & Career Readiness (OCCR) Programs 2017

Programs for the Office of College & Career Readiness (OCCR) are supporting rising 9 and 10 grade students at several Philadelphia high schools. These programs are designed to promote a successful transition to high school, inclusive of leadership development, academic enrichment, and post-secondary preparation.

## **Credit Recovery for High School Students**

The School District will be offering limited credit recover opportunities for students this summer.

Current 12<sup>th</sup> Grade students can remediate no more than two (2) credit recovery classes and/or the Multi-Disciplinary Project, and are eligible to graduate at the conclusion of the summer program. Courses will be held at Benjamin Franklin High School.

Current 11<sup>th</sup> Grade Students can remediate no more than two (2) credit recovery classes in any of the following graduation areas: English, History, Math, Science or Spanish. Courses will be held at Benjamin Franklin High School.

## Immigrant Children and Youth Summer Program (ICY)

The ICY summer program is for English Language Learners (ELLs) currently in grades 4 to 7 (incoming 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> graders) who are new to the country (less than 3 years). The morning program will include instruction in English and math taught by School District of Philadelphia teachers. The afternoon program includes enrichment courses in art, music, and drama. These courses will be facilitated by community-based organizations.

#### **Springboard Summer**

Springboard Summer offers an intensive, five-week summer literacy program for current K through 4<sup>th</sup> grade students and their families in seven schools. The program strives to close the reading achievement gap by coaching teachers, engaging family members, setting goals, and providing incentives, to lessen summer learning loss. Program components include home visits, half-day literacy instruction, family workshops and learning bonuses for students.

#### **CTE Summer Employability**

The School District of Philadelphia, through the Office of Career and Technical Education, will provide summer employment and enrichment opportunities for high school students between 14 and 18 years of age. The Career and Technical Education (CTE) Summer Employment Program is an innovative program that affords CTE students, who currently attend Philadelphia Public Schools, the opportunity to gain valuable work experiences and develop tangible skills that can be used in the workplace. The summer employment program is an extension of the curriculum that career and technical education students learn throughout the school year. This opportunity allows students to receive real life hands-on experience that cannot be learned in the classroom.

# **Out of School Time Programs (OST)**

The School District of Philadelphia hosts many out-of-school time programs during the school year that are operated by non-profit organizations. In the summer months, the majority of these programs operate as six-week summer camps providing full-day programming each weekday. These programs usually recruit and serve students from their host school.

In addition, questions regarding any of the above programs should be addressed to your child's principal.

Thank you, and we look forward to serving Philadelphia students this summer.

Sincerely,

Cheryl J. Logan, Ed. Chief Academic Support Onicer