

SUMMER PROGRAMS

At Drury High School

21st Century Summer Program



Drury High School
21st Century Community
Learning Center

Sign up for any or all of the activities offered at Drury this summer!

July 6-17 Drury Cabaret
July 20-31 Homelessness in Berkshire County
August 3-14 Advanced Internet Applications
August 3-14 Your Health and Fitness
August 3-14 Rock Climbing
August 17-28 Drury Peer Mentors

Monday-Friday
8:00AM - 3:00PM
Drury High School
Lunch and Snacks will be provided.

Enrollment Forms due by June 18th

PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

Drury Cabaret Workshop

Use your creativity this summer—be a part of the Drury Cabaret Workshop! A cabaret is a performance format that combines music, song, dance and theatre. During this two-week workshop, students will create, rehearse and perform their own cabaret. We'll collaborate to choose a theme for our performance and do the research, writing, and legwork that it takes to create it. Students can select and/or write songs, write dialogue for spoken word pieces, and choreograph dances to create the performance. We will seek community partners such as pre-schools, nursing homes and/or the Berkshire Food Project as performance venues. We might also include a Service-Learning aspect to the project, possibly involving interviewing people from multiple generations regarding the arts as they relate to universal topics such as love, compassion, war, joy, etc. The information gathered in the interviews will be used in creating the performance.

Field trips will be included to:

1. observe professional performances/rehearsals
2. gather career information
2. gather information from community partners
3. for performances

This is your chance to create a performance that speaks to who you are and what you think is important. Bring your talents—in whatever art form you enjoy most—and be part of the Drury Cabaret.

The Challenge of Homelessness in Berkshire County

When we think of homelessness, many of us think of a man sleeping on the sidewalk in a big city. But what does homelessness look like in Berkshire County? Are there homeless people in North Adams? This program will strive to better understand this complex issue and then try to do something about it!

We'll work together to create a series of public service announcements to help educate others about homelessness and how to prevent it. We'll research the issue, learn the factors that contribute to homelessness, visit people in our area who are trying to help the homeless or trying to prevent homelessness, and then share what we've learned with our community by creating TV spots at NBCTV.

If you're someone who cares about this important social cause, someone who cares deeply about the community we live in, or someone with an interest in video production regardless of the cause, this program is for you!

Your Health and Fitness

Your Health and Fitness is an intensive course about the care of the body, mind and soul. Together, we'll examine the many facets of wellness and engage in fun activities to care for every aspect of our physical and emotional selves. We'll examine our attitudes and behaviors in all aspects of our personal health, including physical health, as well as social and emotional health. Students will investigate their personal health and set goals for their well-being. Each day students will engage in nutrition education and participate in physical activity, and at the end of the session, students will have made a comprehensive plan for their wellness.

Our sessions will include numerous guest speakers including a personal trainer, a dance instructor, a nutritionist, a drug and alcohol abuse counselor, smoking cessation speaker, a psychiatrist, a gynecologist, and others based on students' interests and needs.

We'll go on field trips to area businesses and resources that promote overall wellbeing, including the Jiminy Peak Ropes Course, Berkshire West, Frog Yoga, Ashuwillticook Rail Trail, and Windsor Lake.

Your Health and Fitness will guide you along the path to optimum health.

Advanced Internet Applications

Do you know more about the computer than your parents? Are you more tech savvy than most of the adults you know? Then we need your skills! Our Advanced Internet Applications workshop will develop training and informational resources for parents/community members to learn how to use the web more effectively. In the process, you'll get the opportunity to learn some more advanced online skills and discuss the many ethical and safety issues that surround Internet use. Your experience and expertise can help to determine what should go into an Internet Use course for community members—this is your chance to share what you know and be the teacher. This is the chance to put your skills to work in helping others in our community.

Topics to be addressed include:

- An overview of the internet
- Browsing the world wide web (using Boolean locators)
- Email, ftp, newsgroups, blogs, twitter, YouTube

- objects, plug-ins, and viewers
- search engines
- ethics, security, and internet safety

You don't have to be a computer pro to join this course, but if you're interested in ways we can use technology to increase our knowledge and our connections to others, join us in Advanced Internet Applications.

Rock Climbing

Are you looking for adventure? Do you want to try something different? Are you looking for a fun way to be upwardly mobile in today's society? Why not join the Drury High School 21st Century Summer Mountaineering program?

The program will offer vertical adventures, meeting at Drury High School and then traveling to various climbing areas. We will learn the basic skills and practice on climbs that have a suitable degree of difficulty to challenge each member at their level of comfort. During the program, we'll have the opportunity to climb indoors (at the Albany Indoor Rockgym—which offers not only rock climbing, but a caving gym, bouldering gyn, Tyrolean traverse, and a zip line. Don't know what these are? Join us and you'll see!) as well as climbing outdoors (with possible field trips to the Chapel Brook Reservation in Ashfield and the Shawangunk Mountains and Mohonk Preserve in New Paltz, NY).

All climbing activities are supervised and guided by a certified climbing director, certified Challenge course director, and licensed by the state of NY as a Tier I rock climbing guide (the highest ranking available). Students of all experience levels are welcome to join. If you're up for a physical and mental challenge this summer, join our Mountaineering program!

Drury Peer Mentors

The 8th graders are coming....are we ready? What can we do to assist them in their transition to our high school? Do you want to be part of a group that's working to make Drury a better place for all students? Sign on to be a peer mentor; during our summer program, we'll take a look at the issues facing students who are new to our school and work together to develop ways to help these students be successful in high school. We'll study what makes a good peer mentoring program, create a training for future peer mentors, and come up with projects and activities for peer mentors and new students in the fall. This is a great opportunity for student leaders who want to tackle a real-world issue and be part of the solution.

21st Century Summer Program Information

North Adams Public Schools

Programming:

- Summer programming will run in two-week sessions, Monday through Friday, from July 6th to August 28th, from 8:00AM to 3:00PM.
- Program activities will take place at Drury High School with field trips within the community.
- Snacks and lunch will be provided to all students in the program. .
- Transportation is provided to and from Drury High School each day.
- Students are expected to be present for programming each week day of the programs in which they are registered. Because we only have 10 class sessions together, please make every effort to limit other obligations during this time.

Voluntary Program Fees:

Families with students attending the summer program are asked to make a monetary donation towards their child's participation if it is financially feasible. We ask you to consider \$5.00 per day of programming, or \$50.00 per activity, as your contribution.

No child of any family who is unable to make a monetary donation will be excluded from the summer program.

It is the policy of the North Adams Public Schools that no person shall be discriminated against because of sex, sexual orientation, color, religion, national origin, ethnic origin, age, disability, or status as a Vietnam Era Veteran, and or if the student or family is homeless.

Student Information

Name: _____ Grade: _____

Please select the activities in which you would like to enroll:

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Emergency Contact Information

Parent/Guardian _____ Phone/Cell: _____

Second Emergency Contact: _____ Phone/Cell: _____

Medical Information (if any)

Transportation Information

Please note, students must have a written note of permission from a parent/guardian if they need to change the way they are getting home on any given day. We appreciate your help with this!

Please note the method of transportation your child will use to arrive at and be dismissed from our program.

	Morning Arrival	Afternoon Dismissal
Parent drop off/pick up		
Student will drive him/herself		
Bus transportation		

Address/Bus Stop (if applicable) _____

Permission

1) Do you give your child permission to take part in field trips to enhance learning in Drury’s 21st Century Summer Program? **Yes** **No**

2) We love to capture the students in our summer programs learning and having fun. We often photograph children and display the pictures in school, on the after school webpage, and in other after school promotional materials so that families and students can see all the great activities going on in our programs. Do you give us permission to take and use photographs of your child? **Yes**
No

It is important that we are able to contact a parent or other adult while your child is in our program. Please make certain there is at least 1 person whom we can contact in case of an emergency. Please report any changes in your contact information.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date