

TAG

Challenge Camp

Our Place in the Universe

TAG Challenge Camp returns in 2012 with a new theme and a host of new classes. This year we are going big as we explore our place in universe. Learn more at www.saturdayacademy.org.

Reed College

June 18-22

Students Entering Grades 4 & 5



programming
art science
math
engineering



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Welcome to Saturday Academy's TAG Challenge Camp!

Zoom from the macro to the micro as we explore our place in the Universe. The Saturday Academy fourth annual TAG Challenge Camp will be held on the Reed College campus the week of June 18 - 22. Designed for TAG students who will be entering grades 4 or 5 in fall 2012, the day camp will provide a week of classes and challenges designed to expand the knowledge and skills of academically and intellectually talented students.

Challenge Classes

The TAG Challenge Camp allows students to choose three mini-courses from a variety of offerings in the academic areas of math, science-engineering, and language-creative arts. A fourth period activity class will round out the day. The classes will culminate in presentations for family and friends on the last day.

Universal themes will be integrated into all areas of curriculum, allowing students to investigate our world through different perspectives. We'll examine the origins of life, peer into outer space to navigate the solar system, investigate the past and future of transportation, and create science fiction. Collaborative thinking will be emphasized in a multi-disciplinary approach to challenge students on a variety of levels.

“She loves that she's learning with true peers—other motivated students.”

“Outstanding camp! My daughter looks forward to it every summer.”

Who is eligible?

Students who are entering grades 4 or 5 in fall 2012 and meet the following criteria below are eligible to apply.

For schools with a TAG Program: TAG-identified students. Highly motivated and high achieving students who are not TAG-identified may apply with a strong teacher recommendation.

For schools without a TAG Program: Highly motivated and high achieving students are eligible to apply with a strong teacher recommendation.

For home-schooled students not participating in a school TAG Program: Advanced students at the 4th or 5th grade level in fall 2012 may apply. A strong teacher recommendation is required in addition to a letter from a parent addressing her/his student's readiness for a full day, structured classroom environment experience.

Challenges

TAG students need challenges! In addition to academically rigorous hands-on classes students will have the opportunity to participate in a variety of challenges and activities. These activities will create opportunities for students to interact with their peers and enhance their total learning experience. Individual and group challenges may be mechanical, such as Rubik's Cubes or engineering puzzles; mental, such as brainteasers; or social such as finding and interviewing instructors or classmates to discover the answer to a challenge question.

Tuition

The TAG Camp tuition is \$545. The tuition covers three academic classes plus one activity class each day, other camp activities and challenges, plus 2 light snacks a day. Limited tuition assistance and scholarships are available on a “first come basis” for households with an annual income below \$50,000. A verification of family income, either 2011 tax documents or other supporting documentation, must accompany your registration form or be submitted within two weeks of your application.



For complete camp details, course descriptions, and registration information go to <http://tinyurl.com/SATAG4-5> or call 503-200-5880