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This Family Update provides important information about Summer 2022 learning and enrichment opportunities, and how to provide important feedback to your child's school by completing the NYC School Survey before April 15.

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Summer Rising 2022: Kindergarten Through Grade 8

Summer Rising Overview

A partnership between the New York City Department of Education (DOE) and the Department of Youth and Community Development (DYCD), **Summer Rising** will connect elementary and middle school students to fun, culturally relevant, hands-on experiences to strengthen their academic, social, and emotional skills.

Summer Rising is **free** and open to any NYC student currently in kindergarten through grade 8. Seats are limited, so we highly encourage families to apply early to secure a seat at their preferred location. Students who are required by their school to attend over the summer are guaranteed a spot. The program will begin **July 5**, and will run **Monday through Friday**, from **8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.** during the months of July and

August. Students will be provided with free breakfast and lunch, with snacks available in the afternoon on request. Summer Rising will run for six weeks for all students, with a seventh week of enrichment for students in grades K–5. Learn more at nyc.gov/SummerRising.

How to Apply

Beginning on **April 25**, you can submit a Summer Rising application to enroll your child at nyc.gov/SummerRising. The application will ask for your student’s 9-digit ID number, which you can get from your school if you do not know it.

You can apply to any Summer Rising site with available seats for your child’s grade level. You should apply as soon as possible to ensure your preferred placement! Immediately after enrolling, you will receive an email confirming your spot. If enrolling multiple students, please note that you must submit each application for separately.

If you have questions or need support with the application, contact your school’s parent coordinator or email summer@schools.nyc.gov.

Students with Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) and 504 Plans

12-month / Extended School Year (ESY) programs: Students attending 12-month / Extended School Year (ESY) special class or ASD Nest or Horizon programs will receive the program and services recommended on their IEP at an Extended School Year (ESY), District 75, or ASD Summer Program site. Parents will also be able to enroll their child in extended day enrichment activities. We will follow up with these families with more information on their options.

Accommodations: Students who require supports, such as a paraprofessional or nurse, to participate in Summer Rising will receive them based on their individual needs.

Summer Programming Grades 9 and Up

Academic Recovery

High schools will also be creating flexible summer schedules to support the completion of graduation requirements, academic acceleration, and college preparation. Students will have a chance to make up previously failed courses, with academic and social emotional support designed locally to meet the unique needs of older students. The process for high school students to enroll in summer programming is separate from the K–8 Summer Rising program and will be managed by your child’s school.

College and Career Planning

This summer, high school students will have the chance to participate in a record 100,000 summer opportunities supporting college and career pathways, through programs such as the Summer Youth Employment Program and College Now.

Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP): Students currently in high school can explore summer work and career development opportunities through SYEP, open to NYC youth aged 14 to 24. Participants in SYEP explore their interests and career pathways, develop workplace skills and engage in learning experiences that help to develop their social, civic, and leadership skills—all while earning a paycheck! Students can learn more and submit an application at application.nycsyep.com by April 22.

Summer Design Institute: Students interested in designing and creating career-themed projects for their portfolio while developing professional skills in fields such as advertising, visual art, digital design, web development, engineering, robotics, and architecture are encouraged to apply to one of three Career and Technical Education (CTE) summer hub sites. Students completing program projects are eligible for stipends. CTE and non-CTE students are welcome. Sign up to learn more at: tinyurl.com/SDI2022CTE

Next Steps Advising: High school students can also sign up for Next Steps Texts at schools.nyc.gov/choosing-the-right-path to receive messages each week to help them plan and pursue their future. Texts include links to youth employment opportunities, scholarship information, access to workshops, and deadline reminders. For additional support, Next Steps can also connect students with access to free, one-on-one virtual meetings with expert advisors after school and on weekends.

Students graduating in 2022 can use Next Step Texts to connect with their College and Career Bridge Coach, a current college student trained to help recent graduates navigate the transition between high school and the next stages in their college and career pathways. Learn more at schools.nyc.gov/choosing-the-right-path.

CUNY College Now

For the 2022 summer semester, CUNY College Now will be offering a mix of online, hybrid, and in-person courses open to NYC public high school students entering grades 11 or 12 in September 2022. Participation is free. For more information, visit k16.cuny.edu/collegenow/summer-programs.

NYC School Survey

Extended Deadline: April 15

If you have not already completed your NYC School Survey, you now have until **April 15** to do so! Just go to NYCSchoolSurvey.org or log onto your NYC Schools Account (NYCSA) at schoolsaccount.nyc to submit your feedback and help school leaders make your child's school a better place to learn.