Where creativity and learning align.

JULY 18 TO AUG 4

Open to all HCPS students entering Grades 1-9
Welcome to Stars of Summer! Stars of Summer is an online learning program designed for HCPS students who were enrolled in kindergarten through eighth grade during the 2022 – 2023 academic year. This program provides students the opportunity to experience camp-like workshops in all content areas. Each camp is designed to be fun, engaging, and interactive! Live instruction is provided by HCPS teachers.

Stars of Summer will run in separate, one-week blocks between July 18 and August 4, Monday through Thursday.

Week One: July 18 through July 21
Week Two: July 25 through July 28
Week Three: August 1 through August 4

Students are invited to register for up to a total of three workshops. Three workshops may be chosen within one week or they may be spread out over the three-week program. Workshops should be chosen based on the grade level a student will enter during the 2022 – 2023 school year.

This catalog is organized on a week-to-week basis and by grade level. Please pay special attention to workshop descriptions which provide information related to session length and timeframe. The table below may be used to help plan your Stars of Summer schedule. Space is provided to identify alternative choices in case first choices become unavailable.

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Registration for Stars of Summer will open on May 16 and will close on May 28. Registration will take place at [https://registration.hcps.org/](https://registration.hcps.org/).

Should you have any questions about the Stars of Summer program, please contact program administrators at starsofsummer@hcps.org.
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Adventures in Improv Acting

It’s that time of year to take an adventure anywhere you choose! In this workshop, you will act out scenes on the spot taking various journeys around the globe using skills learned in improvisational acting. This workshop is for you if you like making up stories, acting as different characters, and working with others in various scenes.

9:00 - 10:00 a.m. (Grades 1-2)
10:00 - 11:00 a.m. (Grades 3-5)
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (Grades 6-9)

Taught by Dawn Sinclair
English Teacher, Swan Creek School

Crafty Life Skills

Come develop and use your crafting skills like cutting, painting, coloring, and much more! In this workshop you will use these skills to create multiple craft and art projects.

9:00 - 10:00 a.m. (Grades 1-2 and 3-5)
10:00 - 11:00 a.m. (Grades 6-9)

Taught by Mikaela Amos
English Teacher, Aberdeen High School

Creative Energy

Are you looking for fun and engaging ways to boost your creative energy? If so, then this workshop is for you! Come boost your creative energy through physical and mental well-being activities and experiences that are guaranteed to give you energy!

9:00 - 10:00 a.m. (Grades 6-9)
10:00 - 11:00 a.m. (Grades 3-5)
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (Grades 1-2)

Taught by Chris McDonough
Health Teacher, Bel Air High School

Master of Life Skills

Life skills are needed everywhere. Need help to communicate effectively with your speech and writing? Need help in order to ask effective questions? In this workshop you will build these and other life skills!

1:00 - 2:00 p.m. (Grades 1-2 and 3-5)
2:00 - 3:00 p.m. (Grades 6-9)

Taught by Mikaela Amos
English Teacher, Aberdeen High School

Step It Up

Do you like HIP-HOP DANCE? Come learn the basic concepts and principles of hip-hop dance through discussions, videos, and basic rhythmic activities. You will learn hip-hop through “real world” examples to deeply understand how to embrace dance as a form of expression. Come have fun with other hip-hop dancers. All skill levels are welcome - no previous experience required.

1:00 - 3:00 p.m. (Grades 1-2)

Taught by Jessica Gonzalez
Grade 2 Teacher, Deerfield Elementary School
Camp Invention Explore! - National Inventors Hall of Fame

Inspire your creativity and confidence with our all-new Camp Invention program, Explore! Students in Grades 1-2 will team up with friends for fun, hands-on STEM adventures. From adopting a robotic fish to exploring space to building robotic artists and marble arcades, each activity is designed to give you an unforgettable summer experience.

8:00 - 10:00 a.m.

Taught by Jennifer Brosh
Early Childhood Teacher Specialist,
George D. Lisby Elementary School at Hillsdale
Creative Writing Camp
Join me as we study model writers and utilize our best writing practices as we write to inform, write to persuade, and write to entertain our readers. We will work through the writing process of brainstorming, planning, drafting, editing, and revising to create exciting writing products such as shape poems, autobiographies, chapter books and reviews of our favorite books, movies, restaurants or toys. We will also share and celebrate the pieces we are most proud of in a Publishing Party!

8:00 - 10:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
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Taught by Jill Hershey
Grade 2 Teacher, Ring Factory Elementary School

Fusion of Art and Science
Have you ever wanted to paint with dirt? Have you ever wondered what colors make up a black marker? Have you ever noticed rainbows dancing on your floor? In this fusion of art in science, you will do all of the above and much, much more! Explore the sciences and use science to create works of art like flowers, sun catchers, and wind paintings!

8:00 - 10:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Taught by Rebecca Scarlato
Science Teacher, Aberdeen High School

Storybook STEM
Want a way to engage in reading while being creative, using problem solving and having fun? Then Storybook STEM is just what you are looking for! We will read different stories and use our thinking skills and problem-solving ideas to engage in fun STEM activities connected to the stories we have read.

12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Taught by Kelly Hennick
Grade 4 Teacher, Red Pump Elementary School

Summer Wellness and Workouts
In this workshop you will learn fun, easy ways to stay healthy and active during the summer. Come learn about healthy snacks to make and great ways to stay active and yes, relaxed during the summer!

8:00 - 9:00 a.m.
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Taught by Alicia King
Kindergarten Teacher, Church Creek Elementary School
Grades 3-5

Backyard Bird Buddies
Ever wonder about the birds that live in or visit your backyard? If so, then Backyard Bird Buddies is for you! You will read and learn about the birds that live in your backyard while completing STEM activities, crafts, jokes and lots more! So come join us and have fun with Backyard Bird Buddies!

2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Taught by Kelly Hennick
Grade 4 Teacher, Red Pump Elementary School

Camp Invention Explore! - National Inventors Hall of Fame
Inspire your creativity and confidence with our all-new Camp Invention program, Explore! Students in Grades 3-5 will team up with friends for fun, hands-on STEM adventures. From adopting a robotic fish to exploring space to building robotic artists and marble arcades, each activity is designed to give you an unforgettable summer experience.

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Taught by Sarah Baker
Grade 4 Teacher, Roye-Williams Elementary School

C'est Simple Comme Bonjour! - It is as Simple as Hello!
Come learn the French basics such as colors, numbers, greetings, days of the week, and months using songs, games, and conversational practice!

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.
2:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Taught by Jana Sommers
Grade 4 Teacher, Red Pump Elementary School

Culture Club Through Activities
Come learn about cultures around the world through arts and crafts! Games and other cultural activities will enhance our “travel experiences” as we discover different continents. While much of this workshop centers around art activities, readings and technology will also be included.

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Taught by Sarah Fischer
Social Studies Teacher, Aberdeen Middle School

Culture Club Through Literature
Travel the various continents through reading literature! Each day we will focus on different cultural experiences and readings. We will use technology to create presentations about various cultures, while integrating arts and crafts.

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Taught by Sarah Fischer
Social Studies Teacher, Aberdeen Middle School

Hand Lettering and Sketchnoting 101
Do you love journaling and note-taking? Do you love doodling and colorful notes? Then you should join the Hand Lettering & Sketch Noting 101 workshop! You will learn different hand lettering techniques and strategies to make your notes or journaling pop!

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.
2:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Taught by Alexandra Hart
Grade 3 Teacher, Fountain Green Elementary School
Get in Touch with Your Creative Self
If you enjoy creating things in a relaxing environment, then this workshop is for you. We will create colorful mosaics, clothespin flowerpots, painted rocks, balloon bowls and much more. You can make gifts for you, your friends, or relatives. Hope to see you in this fun workshop!

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.
2:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Taught by Elizabeth Newby
English Teacher, Havre de Grace Middle School

Mystery Investigation Squad
Have you ever wanted to learn more about aliens? Bigfoot? Ghosts? The Bermuda Triangle? If so, then come join our Investigation Squad! We’ll develop our research skills as we work to uncover the truth about some of the world’s greatest unsolved mysteries, and then practice sharing what we learned with our squad. The truth is out there and we’re going to find it!

8:00 - 10:00 a.m. (Grades 3-5)
1:00 - 3:00 p.m. (Grades 6-9)
Taught by Pete Hicks
Library Media Specialist, North Bend Elementary School

Singing 101
In this workshop you will learn the basics of healthy singing through vocal warm-up exercises. We will also have opportunities to participate in various singing performances!

10:00 - 11:00 a.m. (Grades 6-9)
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (Grades 3-5)
Taught by Sarah Ulrich
Music Teacher, Forest Lakes Elementary School

STEM - XPLORATION
Course 1: Ancient Egypt and The Great Pyramids
(3 week session)
This THREE-WEEK workshop is designed to introduce you to STEM through exploration of the past and the future. In weeks 1 and 2, we will take a trip to ancient Egypt to explore the Great Pyramids. During this time, you will create a fortune teller, a marble maze to simulate passages, and a pyramid. We will conclude week 3 with the challenge of creating the next NASA rover for Mars.

This course will run for three weeks.

9:00 - 10:00 a.m.
Taught by James Hubbard
Technology Education Teacher, Aberdeen High School

Course 2: The Science of Flight - Parachutes and Kites
(2 week session)
This TWO-WEEK workshop is designed to introduce you to the science of flight. You will use the engineer design process to build a parachute. The workshop will conclude with you creating a tetrahedral kite.

This course will run for two weeks.

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.
Taught by James Hubbard
Technology Education Teacher, Aberdeen High School

Strengthen Your Body and Mind Through Aerobics and Yoga!
In this workshop we will focus on positive self-image, self-love, and kindness towards ourselves and others. We all need non-competitive outlets to let go of stress and anxiety in order to feel great about ourselves! We will practice basic and challenging yoga poses, and other aerobic exercises. We will also journal, meditate, and play group games for supporting ourselves and each other.

9:00 - 10:00 a.m. (Grades 3-5)
10:00 - 11:00 a.m. (Grades 6-9)
Taught by Crystal Smith
Music Teacher, Bel Air Middle School
Weather or Not 101

Weather enthusiast and National Weather Service storm spotter Matthew Torres, returns to teach about weather basics including clouds, temperature, optical phenomena, seasons, storms, and severe weather safety.

8:00 - 10:00 a.m. (Grades 3-5)
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (Grades 6-9)

Taught by Matthew Torres
Science Teacher, Aberdeen High School
Camp Invention - National Inventors Hall of Fame

Let your creativity soar with four exciting activity kits full of robots to design, program, and operate; experiment with an electronic heliball and airplane design to discover the principles of flight; and learn how to develop a business plan for your innovations! This camp will include online collaboration with a teacher and time to invent on your own. Note that this workshop is a repeat of last year's Camp Invention offering.

9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Taught by Sarah Baker
Grade 4 Teacher, Roye-Williams Elementary School

Coding with Castellano

In this session, students will examine coding using code.org. We will learn basic coding skills in a fun and collaborative setting which includes creating a Star Wars game and even a dance party! Come join in the coding fun! It’s going to be a cyberific experience!

9:00 - 10:00 a.m.
10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Taught by Sandra Castellano
Technology Education Teacher, Bel Air Middle School

Diving Into the Decades

Far out! Totally tubular! All that and a bag of chips! Have you ever heard these phrases before? Or, have you ever looked at your grandparent’s yearbooks and asked yourself what were they thinking wearing that outfit? Let’s go back in time to take a look at some of the common trends, slang, pop culture, fashion and events of the past! We will explore the 1950s through the 2000s, and during our journey we will learn about the similarities and differences between growing up then and now. By the end of the workshop, you will better understand what has changed and remained unchanged, in our American culture.

12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Taught by Jennifer Miller
Language Arts and Social Studies Teacher, Edgewood Middle School

Drawing for Kids

Yes! You CAN draw! This workshop will take the mystery out of drawing. Learn how to make a direct connection between what you see and what you draw. Learn the fundamentals of art beginning with line, value, shading, composition, perspective, and more. Go beyond those stick figures to become a drawing dynamo!

12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Taught by Laura Prevas
Art Teacher, Harford Technical High School

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Fantasy Writers Guild
Are you still waiting for your invitation to a magical school? Do you wish animals could talk? Would you go on a quest to save the realm? Then come join the Fantasy Writers Guild. Each day we’ll explore a different part of what makes a fantasy world work, from setting and plot to different types of magic and fantastical creatures. You’ll get a chance to brainstorm ideas, write your own stories, and share your thoughts with other writers as we turn creativity into magic.

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Taught by Pete Hicks
Library Media Specialist, North Bend Elementary School

FRAMED! - A TOAST-y Detectives Book Club
Twelve-year-old detective Florian Bates is a pretty cool dude...with a theory. That is, the Theory Of All Small Things (T.O.A.S.T.). Join me as we solve a mystery in James Ponti’s ‘FRAMED!’. And who knows? We might even stumble upon a mystery ourselves!

8:00 - 9:00 a.m.
9:00 - 10:00 a.m.
Taught by Caitlin Torley
ESSR Substitute Teacher, Norrisville Elementary School

Fun Photography Projects
Join in the fun while learning to turn your favorite cellphone or tablet photos into stunning postcards, labels and other fun products to share with the world. You will learn basic strategies for taking stunning photos and then making professional quality projects that are shareable and even printable. Projects will be shared daily in an online Summer Stars Gallery. No prior photography experience required. Students must have access to a digital device for taking photographs and must be able to upload them to their computer.

12:00 - 2:00 p.m.
2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Taught by Linda Mitchell
Mathematics Teacher, Harford Technical High School

Hear Ye, Hear Ye, ATTENTION AVID READERS!
This workshop is for those who love to read, just because! We will explore the latest Project Lit novels in a carefree, stress free, and friendly environment. We will engage in jovial and meaningful conversations about characters, events, and the plots of our novels. We will also create a reading journal that can be used for the following school year.

3:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Taught by Elizabeth Newby
English Teacher, Havre de Grace Middle School

Painting Picassos
Don’t know how to paint or want to become a better painter? In this workshop, the instructor will guide you step by step to experience a magical transformation from a blank canvas to a finished masterpiece. Topics include brushes and equipment, perspective, mixing colors, lighting, shadow, reflections, texture and techniques for achieving a desired effect. Come have fun while creating your own masterpieces!

9:00 - 11:00 a.m.
Taught by Laura Prevas
Art Teacher, Harford Technical High School

Righting the Wrongs: Writing for Social Justice
Do you want to make a change? Then join us as we write to change the community around us. In this workshop, we will pick a topic we would like to educate our community on. Some examples are the LGBTQ+ community, women’s rights, equal rights, and the dangers of things such as racism. Our goal is to help people understand why these topics are important and to provide resources that help make our community a better place for all people regardless of race, age, gender, religion, or identity.

9:00 - 10:00 a.m.
Taught by Suzanne Kaiser
English Teacher, Aberdeen High School

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So You Wanna Be a DJ!
Make smiles, make money and make music. Come learn how to become a DJ!

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Taught by Eric Mosely
*Grade 5 Teacher, Swan Creek School*

Sweet, Sweet Summertime
Join me and create your own delicious treats to share with your friends and family this summer! We will experiment with various dessert recipes, all of which are easy to make from home. Put on your chef’s hat and I’ll see you in the kitchen!

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.
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STARS OF SUMMER

WEEK OF JULY 25-28

HARFORD COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Adventures in Improv Acting
It’s that time of year to take an adventure anywhere you choose! In this workshop, you will act out scenes on the spot taking various journeys around the globe using skills learned in improvisational acting. This workshop is for you if you like making up stories, acting as different characters, and working with others in various scenes.

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**Creative Writing Camp**

Join me as we study model writers and utilize our best writing practices as we write to inform, write to persuade, and write to entertain our readers. We will work through the writing process of brainstorming, planning, drafting, editing, and revising to create exciting writing products such as shape poems, autobiographies, chapter books and reviews of our favorite books, movies, restaurants or toys. We will also share and celebrate the pieces we are most proud of in a Publishing Party!

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Taught by Jill Hershey  
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**Kids in the Kitchen**

You’re never too young to begin learning how to cook! Join Kids in the Kitchen to begin your journey as a kid-chef. Kids in the Kitchen is a class designed to help kids like you make tasty and delicious foods all by yourself! Together, we will learn how to read a recipe, measure ingredients, and make a balanced plate. Kids in the Kitchen is a place for you to unleash your skills and get creative! We can’t wait to start cooking up something yummy with you!

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Taught by Sarah Baker
Grade 4 Teacher, Roye-Williams Elementary School

C’est Simple Comme Bonjour! - It is as Simple as Hello!

Come learn the French basics such as colors, numbers, greetings, days of the week, and months using songs, games, and conversational practice!

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.
2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Taught by Jana Sommers
Grade 4 Teacher, Red Pump Elementary School

Culture Club Through Activities

Come learn about cultures around the world through arts and crafts! Games and other cultural activities will enhance our “travel experiences” as we discover different continents. While much of this workshop centers around art activities, readings and technology will also be included.

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Taught by Sarah Fischer
Social Studies Teacher, Aberdeen Middle School

Culture Club Through Literature

Travel the various continents through reading literature! Each day we will focus on different cultural experiences and readings. We will use technology to create presentations about various cultures, while integrating arts and crafts.

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Step It Up
Do you like HIP-HOP DANCE? Come learn the basic concepts and principles of hip-hop dance through discussions, videos, and basic rhythmic activities. You will learn hip-hop through "real world" examples to deeply understand how to embrace dance as a form of expression. Come have fun with other hip-hop dancers. All skill levels are welcome - no previous experience required.

1:00 - 3:00 p.m. (Grades 3-5)

Taught by Jessica Gonzalez
Grade 2 Teacher, Deerfield Elementary School

Tales and Tails
Do you love pets? Join me for camp where we will listen to and read stories, poems and other texts about pets. We will also make crafts, pet toys, and dog treats! Our camp will end with a fun Pet Show. Options are available for those who do not own a pet.

9:00 - 10:00 a.m.
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Reading Specialist, Norrisville Elementary School
**Get in Touch with Your Creative Self**

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**Strengthen Your Body and Mind Through Aerobics and Yoga!**

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Drawing for Kids

Yes! You CAN draw! This workshop will take the mystery out of drawing. Learn how to make a direct connection between what you see and what you draw. Learn the fundamentals of art beginning with line, value, shading, composition, perspective, and more. Go beyond those stick figures to become a drawing dynamo!

12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

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*Art Teacher, Harford Technical High School*
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Fun Photography Projects
Join in the fun while learning to turn your favorite cellphone or tablet photos into stunning postcards, labels and other fun products to share with the world. You will learn basic strategies for taking stunning photos and then making professional quality projects that are shareable and even printable. Projects will be shared daily in an online Summer Stars Gallery. No prior photography experience required. Students must have access to a digital device for taking photographs and must be able to upload them to their computer.

12:00 - 2:00 p.m.
2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Taught by Linda Mitchell
Mathematics Teacher, Harford Technical High School

Hear Ye, Hear Ye, ATTENTION AVID READERS!
This workshop is for those who love to read, just because! We will explore the latest Project Lit novels in a carefree, stress free, and friendly environment. We will engage in jovial and meaningful conversations about characters, events, and the plots of our novels. We will also create a reading journal that can be used for the following school year.

3:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Taught by Elizabeth Newby
English Teacher, Havre de Grace Middle School

Painting Picassos
Don’t know how to paint or want to become a better painter? In this workshop, the instructor will guide you step by step to experience a magical transformation from a blank canvas to a finished masterpiece. Topics include brushes and equipment, perspective, mixing colors, lighting, shadow, reflections, texture and techniques for achieving a desired effect. Come have fun while creating your own masterpieces!

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Righting the Wrongs: Writing for Social Justice
Do you want to make a change? Then join us as we write to change the community around us. In this workshop, we will pick a topic we would like to educate our community on. Some examples are the LGBTQ+ community, women’s rights, equal rights, and the dangers of things such as racism. Our goal is to help people understand why these topics are important and to provide resources that help make our community a better place for all people regardless of race, age, gender, religion, or identity.

9:00 - 10:00 a.m.
Taught by Suzanne Kaiser
English Teacher, Aberdeen High School

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So You Wanna Be a DJ!
Make smiles, make money and make music. Come learn how to become a DJ!

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.
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Taught by Eric Mosely
Grade 5 Teacher, Swan Creek School

Summer Book Club
This workshop is for all the book lovers out there! This will be a fun and laid-back book club. Imagine we are on the beach with our favorite snacks discussing our favorite books and characters!

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.
2:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Taught by Shawana Thompson
English Language Arts Teacher, Aberdeen Middle School

Sweet, Sweet Summertime
Join me and create your own delicious treats to share with your friends and family this summer! We will experiment with various dessert recipes, all of which are easy to make from home. Put on your chef’s hat and I’ll see you in the kitchen!

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Summer Wellness and Workouts
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*Music Teacher, Bel Air Middle School*

STEM X-PLORATION
Course 3: Circuits and Tinkercad
This camp is designed to introduce students to circuits and the basic components used to create circuits. Students will be using Tinkercad to create and test their circuits.

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.
Taught by James Hubbard
*Technology Education Teacher, Aberdeen High School*
At your Age, could YOU have been an American Civil War Soldier from 1861-1865?

Have you ever wondered if you would have been able to live during a different time period in our history? Could you adapt to the way society functioned? Would you have been able to provide for yourself and your family? If you have wondered about circumstances like these, come join us for a 4-day exploration of the American Civil War Era. We will cover American Civil War topics like medicine - weapons - equipment - supplies - entertainment - civilian life - soldier life - roles of women - roles of children - geography - key battles & key personalities. I hope that you grab your canteen, mess kit, kepi and that “new-fangled” computer and muster in for our Great American Civil War Adventure!! Huzzah, Huzzah, Huzzah!!

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Taught by Robert Rinehart  
Social Studies Teacher, Southampton Middle School

Been There - Done That!!
Do you like to share your great adventures, stories, and hobbies with other people? Do you like to take pictures? If so, join us for “Been There - Done That!!” You will construct presentations using pictures and images to take all of us on great adventures. You will also present hobbies or collections of pictures that you have accumulated. If you are looking for a chance to meet new people, go on some fun online adventures and learn some new technology, come join this workshop!

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**So You Wanna Be a DJ!**

Make smiles, make money and make music. Come learn how to become a DJ!

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Taught by Eric Mosely
Grade 5 Teacher, Swan Creek School

**Step It Up**

Do you like HIP-HOP DANCE? Come learn the basic concepts and principles of hip-hop dance through discussions, videos, and basic rhythmic activities. You will learn hip-hop through “real world” examples to deeply understand how to embrace dance as a form of expression. Come have fun with other hip-hop dancers. All skill levels are welcome - no previous experience required.

1:00 - 3:00 p.m. *(Grades 6-9)*

Taught by Jessica Gonzalez
Grade 2 Teacher, Deerfield Elementary School

**Sweet, Sweet Summertime**

Join me and create your own delicious treats to share with your friends and family this summer! We will experiment with various dessert recipes, all of which are easy to make from home. Put on your chef’s hat and I’ll see you in the kitchen!

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Taught by Caitlin Torley
ESSR Substitute Teacher, Norrisville Elementary School

**Summer Book Club**

This workshop is for all the book lovers out there! This will be a fun and laid-back book club. Imagine we are on the beach with our favorite snacks discussing our favorite books and characters!

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.
2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Taught by Shawana Thompson
English Language Arts Teacher, Aberdeen Middle School

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**Fun Photography Projects**

Join in the fun while learning to turn your favorite cellphone or tablet photos into stunning postcards, labels and other fun products to share with the world. You will learn basic strategies for taking stunning photos and then making professional quality projects that are shareable and even printable. Projects will be shared daily in an online Summer Stars Gallery. No prior photography experience required. Students must have access to a digital device for taking photographs and must be able to upload them to their computer.

2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Taught by Linda Mitchell
Mathematics Teacher, Harford Technical High School

**Step It Up**

This workshop is for those who love to read, just because! We will explore the latest Project Lit novels in a carefree, stress free, and friendly environment. We will engage in jovial and meaningful conversations about characters, events, and the plots of our novels. We will also create a reading journal that can be used for the following school year.

3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Taught by Elizabeth Newby
English Teacher, Havre de Grace Middle School

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Weather or Not 201
Weather enthusiast and National Weather Service storm spotter Matthew Torres, returns to teach about intermediate weather topics including severe weather and storm prediction. This course follows Weather or Not 101.

1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Taught by Matthew Torres
Science Teacher, Aberdeen High School

You Be The Judge!
Order in the court! In this workshop you will use evidence, real laws, and your argumentative skills to decide the outcome of court cases. We will use student-friendly cases that will have you thinking about which side of the law the “judge” should rule on. Your legal mind will surely be put to the test this summer!

2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Taught by Jennifer Miller
Language Arts and Social Studies Teacher, Edgewood Middle School
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