

Our second year of Students in Training's Summer Camp has come to a close. We are excited to share some of the amazing adventures and opportunities our students had this year.



3D PRINTING AND DESIGN

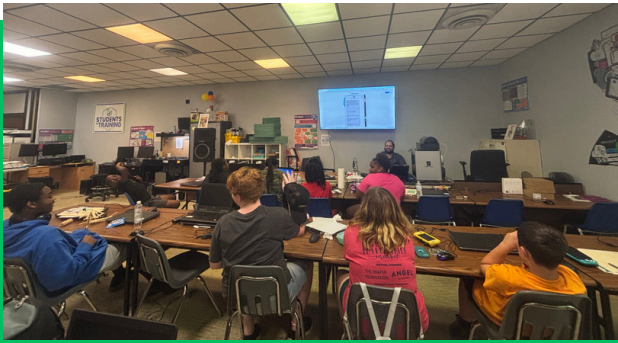
3D Printing started our camp when Russ Clark taught students how 3D printers work and how to design their own 3D prints. Mitch Lesslie visited us from Turn Key Technologies and showed the students how 3D modeling could be applied to the creation of various new machinery builds.



BUSINESS

Tuesdays were our Business themed days. We took on the role of enterpruners and researched our community's needs vs wants. We then created a business around that research, along with the logo and branding.

Our volunteers Beth Woodson of Design Chic/Vogue Cleaners and Cedric Cuthbertson from CAC Plumbing gave the students some awesome insight on what it was like to get their own businesses up and running. Students that came to the second week of camp each picked a local business and after learning about their brand and mission the students created flyers that we shared with the local businesses. This turned into such a cool way for students to see the impact their voices could have, as some of the companies actually reached out to the students with appreciation and surprises.



COMPUTERS AND IT

The middle of each week brought IT day. Robert Howell, our Director taught the students how to dig into their computers and identify components. Students left this day knowing the difference between a motherboard, RAM, SSD and more. Blake Shoaf of F&M Bank's IT Department came in to talk to students about networking, remote management, security and more. He also showed students how to repair gaming controllers.

CODING

BrickEd offered a fantastic field trip location with their different stations and STEAM topics. Students were able to code with robots, do lego challenges and put their teamwork to the test with a robot competition. One of our own students, Jimi, actually volunteered to teach students how to code their own games using block coding.



Students that attended our first week went on a field trip to MicroCenter. They prepped in advance by building their own PC online and then exploring all the parts in person during a scavenger hunt through the store.

E2D

All Middle and High Schoolers that attended Summer Camp were able to go to E2D where they were shown how to take apart laptops to pull the useable components out. Then they were able to start at step 1 and learn how E2D refurbishes their computers from start to finish. This was a great experience for students to get hands on with more tech. The week was wrapped up with a well deserved treat.



MINI CAMPS

We expanded past our typical middle and high school age range this summer and had two mini camps! We hosted Smart Start Rowan’s Kalediscscope Play and Learn group for children ages birth-5years old. These tiny students were taught how to make patterns and mix colors .




Our last mini camp was geared towards elementary students. These young learners were able to take apart a computer and learn about electricity. After making a series of circuits they also made one they were able to take home with them.

85 HOURS!

85 Hours of free STEAM Learning this summer. That is 85 hours of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math. 85 Hours of lessons created from the ground up for our students and 85 hours that were made possible by the support of our community.

During 13 days of camps we had 30 individual students. These students consumed 140 meals. All of these numbers are higher than last year. We are so excited to see this program continue to grow and expand. Thank you to all the volunteers that helped us out and to the parents that entrusted us with their students. Most importantly, thank you to the students that showed up every day ready to learn.


Summer 2025 Stats



13 DAYS



30 STUDENTS


140 MEALS

Summer 2024 Stats


9 DAYS


26 STUDENTS


97 MEALS

