

“It used to be my belief that summertime meant my time, which usually meant relaxing and having fun. Now I believe that summertime is still my time, but that includes education as well as having fun. I think that Academic All-Star Camp is named perfectly. The camp teaches you to be an academic allstar by enabling you to let your talents shine brightly for all to see.”

B.W., camper



ALL-STAR CAMP OBJECTIVES:

- To support growth of high-achieving students through challenging academic experiences
- To provide diverse interpersonal activities that encourage leadership and community involvement



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ACADEMICALLY GIFTED DEPARTMENT

Academic All-Star Camp

Guilford County Schools is pleased to offer the Academic All-Star experience to high-achieving rising ninth-graders. The camp is provided free of charge to students.

Taking advantage of this two-week adventure provides students with exposure to subject-related interests, ACT preparation and leadership skills. It also allows them to learn with, work with, and meet other outstanding peers in a challenging and enriching environment led by expert teachers.

Students who accept the invitation must be able to attend Monday through Thursday for all 8 days of the camp. Academic All-Star Camp is held at multiple sites.



LEADERSHIP AND TEAMWORK

Each day begins by introducing students to challenging experiences that help them with leadership and interpersonal skills as they prepare to begin high school. Teams of students face daily challenges that are fun and competitive.

“Every morning we would participate in leadership within our tribes. The activities were to help us understand and get to know each other better. It also helped me personally learn to step out, take charge and help motivate others.” K.T., camper

ACT PREPARATION

The ACT® measures college readiness and predicts future academic success. As such, for many institutions of higher learning, The ACT® is a part of the college admission process. With a goal of helping North Carolina students better understand their preparedness for education beyond high school, in 2012, state legislators voted to administer The ACT® statewide to all 11th grade students. The Academic All-Star Camp incorporates ACT preparation, focusing on verbal, mathematical, and writing skills, into the camp’s curriculum. Students participating in the Academic All-Star Camp have the opportunity to understand The ACT® and their potential to meet college admission benchmarks.

PROJECT-BASED LEARNING

Students select a concentration in one of the core disciplines: language arts, math, science or social studies. Classes are led by master teachers who engage the students in creative and challenging experiences.

“My particular tribe had to rewrite the lyrics to a song written during the Great Depression and relate it to today’s world while pictures from a slideshow we designed played in the background.” R.R., camper

“These projects were fun, and they were not very restrictive. In fact, we were simply given an outline along with directions, and the rest was left up to creativity, our imagination and our minds.” B.W., camper