

Lower Roxbury Coalition

A Community Connections Coalition

Summer Program

With year-round youth enrichment service

Finding the right Summer Program for youth is as important as helping them find the right college! The goal of the Lower Roxbury Summer Program is to help residents and families find summer activities that will meet the needs of their children.

Recent studies have shown that youth can lose an average of one month of learning over the summer. Lower Roxbury Summer Program provides youth with the opportunity to develop character, learn valuable life skills, make new friends, and discover new interests. Moreover, the Summer Program offers a variety of activities that can help youth catch up, keep up, or get ahead while making sure youth enjoy the learning process.

Lower Roxbury Summer Program is perfect for youth with an inactive summer schedule.

A positive learning experience

Lower Roxbury's Summer Program, for youth ages 9 through 14, offers three- and three-week enrichment workshops throughout the summer in the areas of engineering, science, technology, computer, art, digital photography, nutrition, fitness, and social skills.

We know that confidence and motivation are vital to success. Whittier's positive approach to learning inspires youth to excel and to value their experiences in both the program and the classroom. Our motivational techniques combine positive reinforcement, goal-setting and incentives to reward effort and progress.

Since 2005, the LRC Summer Program has educated over 60 youths from different neighborhoods of the City of Boston. Young leaders gather each summer at our site in Roxbury for an experience in making healthy choices filled with cultural exchange, field trip, new friendships, fun, and laughter.

Our Robotics program is a great primer for youths who are just getting introduced to the joys of engineering. In addition, the Squash Buster program helps youths keep fit. Morning workshops deepened knowledge of current issues and emphasized creative thinking; and, afternoon recreational activities included games, swimming, international arts and crafts, languages, and creative music, writing, and fabric arts. Morning workshops deepen knowledge of current issues and emphasize creative thinking. Active engagement with community service organizations emphasizes individual responsibility. Afternoon recreational activities include games, swimming, international arts and crafts,

languages, and creative music, writing, and fabric arts. We make summer learning feel like a walk in the park.

Lower Roxbury Summer Program is located in Lower Roxbury, a neighborhood of Boston, MA. Our youth program staff is highly qualified, often peer leaders or summer employment interns. Our year-round staff has over 10 years of experience providing a safe summer experience, constructing an environment in which each individual's personal best can be expressed.

Year Round Youth Enrichment Service

Challenges, offered in the fall and spring through Whittier's Youth Service Enrichment (WYSE), is a youth enrichment program whose varied seminars and outreach activities are designed for talented students from 10th through 12th grade. In addition, in the spring the WYSE peer leaders sponsors two signature events, i.e., Youth Violence Prevention Summit, and Teen Health Jam, and every summer the Back To School BBQ for all youths.

WYSE is an innovative peer leadership-training program designed to engage at-risk adolescents in self-discovery within the context of their personal experience and communities. Through health education, self-assessment, self-awareness, peer-to-peer contact and mentoring, WYSE guides youth to achieve their full potential while training them to become peer health educators. Upon completion of the training program, youths educate their peers in healthy choices and values promoting academic achievement and community service. The program builds on the ability of young people to influence one another to teach, train, and inspire.

Academic-Skills Enhancement assistance promotes the development of academic skills and is available for students ages 14 through 18. Topics include reading, study techniques, writing, SAT preparation, vocabulary, math, science, and financial preparation. Learning sessions are offered at Whittier's main campus in Roxbury and at community partner sites.

If art is a youth's passion, the Arts Therapy program offers art workshops throughout the year.

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