“NOT EVERY CHILD HAS AN EQUAL TALENT OR AN EQUAL ABILITY OR EQUAL MOTIVATION; BUT CHILDREN HAVE THE EQUAL RIGHT TO DEVELOP THEIR TALENT, THEIR ABILITY AND THEIR MOTIVATION.”

JOHN F. KENNEDY
Dear Parents/Guardians of a Gifted Child or Children:

Pompano Beach High School will be hosting a two-week camp this summer for 240 gifted and intellectually talented children. Gifted students who are entering grades 3 through 8 for the 2020-2021 school year are eligible to apply. The cost of the camp will be $350.00 for the two weeks. Full and partial scholarships will be available based upon free / reduced lunch criteria and availability of funds. Payment will be due at the time of selection.

Pompano Beach High School’s Summer Camp for the Gifted
July 20th - July 30th
Monday - Thursday (No Camp on Fridays)
8:30AM - 3:30PM

For those parents not able to pick their camper up at 3:30pm we will be offering a sports enrichment program each camp day from 3:30 – 5:30PM for an additional fee of $100.00. (Excluding the last day of camp – July 30th).

Pompano Beach High School’s Summer Camp for the Gifted will provide a learning environment that values and enhances the gifted student’s ability, creativity, and passion for learning. Transportation and meals will not be provided.

**Grades 3-5** will be exposed to each of the following:
- Creative Writing
- Robotics
- Logic Puzzles
- S.T.E.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math Course)
- Marine Biology

**Grades 6-8** will select two of the following courses:
- Coding
- Pre-Med
- Physics & Rockets
- Journalism
- Robotics
- Survey of Math History
- Mechanical & Electrical Engineering
- Creative Writing
- Constitutional Law with Mock Trial

Each camper (**Grades 3-8**) will also select a Humanities course. A list of these courses can be found within the application packet.

Interested parents should send their completed application to Pompano Beach High School. The deadline for applications is February 27, 2020. Once all applications are processed a committee will select up to forty students at each grade level to attend the camp. Decision notifications will be sent by March 25, 2020. Children not selected will be placed on a waiting list. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Strachan at william.strachan@browardschools.com

Sincerely,

Hudson B. Thomas
Principal
Mission Statement

Our mission is to recognize, nurture, and support gifted young people and to provide opportunities for them to develop their talents and skills to make a positive difference.

Welcome

Pompano Beach High School will host a two-week; four-day per week summer camp for gifted students entering grades three through eight. This program is designed to challenge the intellectual and creative abilities of each participant.

Unique curriculum will offer academically talented students an exciting educational experience from exceptional educators who are experts in their content area and passionate about sharing their love of learning.

High school student mentors providing individual attention in a safe fun environment will assist each teacher.

Eligibility

Your child must meet the following criteria:

- Has been identified as a gifted student with a current Educational Plan (EP).
- OR
- A recommendation from current teacher or school counselor stating the student is in the top 1% of their grade at their current school.

Application Process

1. Send completed application to Pompano Beach High School by February 27, 2020
2. Give current teacher or ESE specialist the recommendation form for completion.
3. Parents will be notified by March 25, 2020 of selected campers and those on the waiting list.
4. Payment will be due in full before April 13, 2020.
5. After April 13, 2020 all unpaid seats will be given to students on the waiting list.
**Humanity Course Electives**

**Art**
Do you have a Picasso in you? Come join us for two weeks as we create masterpieces and learn to explore art through many different canvases.

**Music**
Ever wanted to learn how to play the Guitar. Come strum along with us and learn how to have your very own jam session.

**Theater**
Are you the center of attention? Do you like to perform on and off the stage? If you answer yes to any of these questions, then Theater is for you.

**Scientific Visualization**
If you can see it, then you can build it using the computer. Your goal will be to create items, either from real life or from your imagination. Watch your vision become reality.

**Video Production**
Become a director as you create and direct a video. You learn everything from creating a storyboard to editing the final scenes.

**World Wars**
An in-depth look at the Cold War & Vietnam

**Culinary Arts**
Have you ever wanted to be the next Master Chef? Join us on a culinary arts journey and learn that baking can be a science.

**Chess**
Learn strategy and critical thinking skills as you master your skills in Chess.

**Forensic Science (CSI)**
Explore the science, technology, engineering, and mathematics behind identification and crime solving. The participants will learn about fingerprints, cyber security, paper chromatography, DNA, and much more.

**Debate**
Want to work on your public speaking skills? Join debate and learn how to form an argument and win.
Pompano Beach High School
Summer Camp for the Gifted
Student Application

Student Name: ___________________________ Student ID #: ______________________

Please circle which grade student will be entering: 3rd 4th 5th 6th 7th 8th

School student currently attends: __________________________________________________

Parent Name: ___________________________ Phone #: ______________________

Home Mailing Address: ___________________________________________________________

Email Address: ____________________________

Please write the Humanities course in order of preference (Grades 3-8)

1) ____________________ 2) ____________________ 3) ____________________

Grades 3-8 Students should write an essay on why he or she would like to attend the gifted camp.

Grades 6-8 will also need to select two of the following courses to enroll plus one alternate:

• Pre-Med • Physics & Rockets • Constitutional Law
• Robotics (Lego EV-3) • Journalism • Creative Writing
• Survey of Math • Coding
• Mechanical & Electrical Engineering

*Each Course will have a limited amount of seats. Available seat selection will be based on first come / first served at time of selection and payment in full.

Courses listed above are tentative and based on interest.

Please check here if your child will be participating in the extended day 3:30PM – 5:30PM after camp. (Additional Fee of $100.00) ______ (There will be no extended day after camp on the last day July 30th)

Students going into grades 3 – 6 Please have your current teacher fill out the recommendation form.
Students going into grades 7 & 8 Please have your school counselor fill out the recommendation form.

*By turning in this application, you authorize Y.S.A. to take photos /videos of your child at camp for promotional purposes.

Please check here if you attended the YSA Gifted Camp last year. ______

If your child currently receives Free or Reduce lunch, please indicate here which one. ________________
Pompano Beach High School
Summer Camp for the Gifted
Recommendation Form

Student Name: ______________________________________________________________ Current grade level__________

School: __________________________________________________________________________________________________

Does the student demonstrate the ability to learn and Process information rapidly? 5 4 3 2 1

Is the student able to stay on task? 5 4 3 2 1

Does the student show a need for enrichments? 5 4 3 2 1

How would you assess the student in the following areas?

Math 5 4 3 2 1
Reading 5 4 3 2 1
Writing 5 4 3 2 1
Verbal 5 4 3 2 1
Attendance 5 4 3 2 1

Does the student demonstrate good behavior in class? 5 4 3 2 1

Would you recommend this student for the Gifted Camp? 5 4 3 2 1

Additional comments:

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Teacher Name: ________________________________________________ Phone # ___________________________

Application deadline is February 27, 2020
Teachers please send directly to Pompano Beach High
Fax # 754 322-2130