Park Forest – Chicago Heights School District 163

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Dear Parents and/or Guardians.



School District 163 is pleased to share that we will continue to offer after-school programs funded by the 21st Century Community Learning Center (21st CCLC) Grant for students in grades 2 through 8. Our District is committed to ensuring that all of our students achieve at their grade level benchmarks, meet End of the Year Outcomes for each grade, and meet District Eligibility Criteria.

The 21st CCLC X-STEAM program will be offered at five sites: 21st Century Primary Center, Blackhawk Primary Center, Mohawk Primary Center, Barack Obama School of Leadership and STEM, and Michelle Obama School of Technology and the Arts as follows:

- Dates: Monday, October 3, 2022 through Friday, May 19, 2023
- Participants: Identified 2 and grade through 8 grade students
- Hours of operation: Monday through Friday from 3:00 p.m. until 5:30 p.m.
- Session 1: October 3, 2022 December 16, 2022
- Session 2: January 9, 2023 March 10, 2023
- Session 3: March 13, 2023 May 19, 2023

<u>Daily attendance is mandatory.</u> All students are required to demonstrate appropriate behavior or they will be dismissed from the program. The X-STEAM program will provide the following benefits for your child to help them meet their grade level benchmarks:

- Focused reading, vocabulary, and writing activities
- Mathematics skills, concepts and math fact fluency activities
- Intensive mathematics intervention for students in grades 2-8.
- Homework assistance
- STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics) enrichment classes

Additionally, the program will provide support for parents, guardians and caregivers to foster family investment through parent/community involvement activities and career development experiences offered during the after-school program hours and in the evenings. These activities will provide assistance for you to help your child succeed in school and enhance your knowledge of college readiness and innovative careers.

Sincerely,

Shaunita Jones

X-STEAM Lead Site Coordinator