<u>Summer Educational Opportunities for High School Students</u>

Summer is a time that students are free of the daily school schedule and able to travel, relax, and try other things they couldn't have due to their school schedule. One activity that students across the world participate in is pre-collegiate summer programs. Such programs are great for adding to a student's resume, expanding their circle of friends, and providing them with much-needed experience in preparation for college. Unfortunately, these programs can cost a lot and may cause financial strain on families. Summer programs can also be a wrong fit for the student attending. This is why students and their families want to make sure they find the right summer programs to enhance their summer experience. Connect EdOpp is here to help in that search. Here, we have compiled a few lists by reputable organizations that we found to be helpful and easy to use in your search. We also will have a list of our own on our website. We will also, at times, offer insights and advice of our members at Connect EdOpp.

For those new to the search for high school summer programs, we recommend this list: 137 Pre-College Summer Programs for High School Students from PrepScholar.com
This list walks the reader through what a summer program should be, how the list was compiled, and where the programs are located. This is a must-read for those looking for good programs based on location or those who are unfamiliar with the summer program scene.

Financial Aid can be a crucial part of the search for summer programs. <u>2019 Summer Pre-College Programs with Financial Aid</u> from CollegeGreenLight.com is a list that takes this into account. This list is good for finding programs that don't break your bank while still offering good value.

Summer programs value should be judged by a few factors: content, length, location, cost, college credit option, and the student's personal goals and interests. A list that takes into account a few of these factors to create their best value list is CollegeValuesOnline.com with <u>15 Best Value College Summer Programs for High School Students</u>.

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Summer Program Lists Continued:

<u>Top Summer Programs for High School Students in 2020</u> from CollegeTransitions.com

A go-to list of many looking for options for their next summer. College Transitions also updates their lists consistently so you will always have up-to-date information.

Top 30 Pre-College Summer Programs for 2019 from CollegeConsensus

College Consensus is a good source for summer program recommendations. This list was compiled based on a set of great criteria and lists programs at elite colleges and universities across the country.

Summer Program Ideas from HighlyGiftedMagnet.org

This list is nicely split into different subject and focus areas to give you an idea of the type of programs available with recommendations for certain programs. A good list for those who want to explore the type of options they have in each different subject without getting lost in the vast quantities of programs in the country.

<u>Pre-College Summer Programs</u> from TeenLife.com

Teen Life provides an extensive list of 204 different summer programs with a good variety of subject areas. Most programs listed here will be between one and six weeks long.

<u>50 Best Pre-College Summer Science Programs for High School Students</u> from Best College Reviews

This list is a great one for any student looking for a science program or for those who know they have a general interest in STEM subjects. They also provide good detail about each program that is sometimes hard to find in lists like these without going to the program's website.

The search for summer programs can be difficult when done without reliable and current information. We at <u>Connect EdOpp</u> hope to help when we can and hope that this article can aid you in your search. We wish you the best of luck in your search.

If you have questions about this article or any other inquiry related to the search for high school and pre-college summer programs, please don't hesitate to reach out and ask us. We are happy to be of service when we can. You can contact us by sending an email to ConnectEdOpp@gmail.com.

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