**Fourth Quarter Enrichment Newsletter 2016-17**

Looking ahead to summer opportunities (with deadlines that are coming up quickly):

Summer Honors Programs give academically talented rising high school junior and seniors a first-hand look at life on a college campus. Some schools that offer programs:

**Indiana University of Pennsylvania’s Cook Honors College Summer Honors Program** iup.edu/admissions/honors/summer Applications due May 1

**The 2017 Martin W. Essex School for the Gifted and Talented™ at Otterbein University**offers rising highschool juniors and seniors the chance to explore the arts,sciences and humanities through a set of seminars, hands-onworkshops, and field trips. This residential schoolencourages social interaction and peer discussion so thatstudents are challenged intellectually and artistically anddevelop a better understanding of their abilities and talents in their lives and in society.

<http://www.otterbein.edu/public/About/Community/summercamps/essex-camp.aspx>

**Ohio Northern University’s** Summer Academic and Honors Institute:

<http://www.onu.edu/academics/summer_academic_and_honors_institute>

**STEM Summer Camps**

<https://stemoutreach.osu.edu/stem-programs/stem-summer-camps>

**Other Summer Camping Opportunities**

<https://northeastohiofamilyfun.com/summer-camps-in-northeast-ohio/#Fea>

**Mini Maker Faire**

[They call it the Greatest Show (& Tell) on Earth — a family-friendly showcase of invention, creativity, and resourcefulness. Glimpse the future and get inspired!](https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0/h/yyko7n680ft/?&cs=wh&v=b&to=aehendrix@akronzoo.org) <http://waynecounty.makerfaire.com/>

For details or more information, call 330-375-2550, ext. 8973 . [Wayne County’s first Mini Maker Faire will be **Saturday, May 20, 2017** at the University of Akron Wayne College!  This family friendly event showcases the amazing work of all kinds and ages of makers—anyone who is embracing the do-it-yourself (or do-it-together) spirit and wants to share their accomplishments with an appreciative audience. Maker Faire is a gathering of fascinating, curious people who enjoy learning and who love sharing what they can do. From engineers to artists to scientists to crafters, Maker Faire is a venue to for these “makers” to show hobbies, experiments, projects.](https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0/h/yyko7n680ft/?&cs=wh&v=b&to=aehendrix@akronzoo.org)

**Rising 1st-6th Graders: Camp Invention**

Created by the National Inventors Hall of Fame, Camp Invention is the only nationally recognized summer program focused on creativity, innovation, real-world problem solving and the spirit of invention. Area school districts will be hosting Camp Invention this summer.

Cloverleaf Elementary School will be hosting Camp Invention during the week of June 6-10.

Other camps are available in the area if this date does not work for your schedule. Buckeye Elementary School will be hosting Camp Invention the week of July 31-August 4.

For information about Camp Invention, Summer 2017 go to: <http://campinvention.org/>

**Ohio Department of Education Ohio Parent Fact Sheet**  It is the time of year when many testing results are being sent home. What does “gifted” mean? What is the meaning of those test results that you received? http://education.ohio.gov/

For a parent fact sheet for gifted education in Ohio go to this Ohio Department of Education of Education website. Then search Gifted Education Parent Fact Sheet.

FYI, in the state of Ohio, if your child earns a specific gifted identification, he will always hold that gifted identification throughout his academic career. “Once gifted, always gifted.”

**Looking for some new reading materials for your child?** Take a look at this spring 2017 list of the most anticipated books for children and young adults:

<http://www.publishersweekly.com/pw/by-topic/childrens/childrens-book-news/article/72597-the-most-anticipated-children-s-and-ya-books-of-spring-2017.html>

**A terrific place to find suggestions of books for gifted kids is at Hoagie Gifted Education Page.** They have reading lists arranged by topics:

<http://www.hoagiesgifted.org/reading_lists.htm>

Happy Spring!

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