

# THE SCHOOL HELPER

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"This institution is an equal opportunity provider."

### **De'VIA**

The ASL I and ASL II students have finished their De'VIA art! Wow, we have some talented students!









Marc Anthony, Amaya, Parris, and Gary. Far right: ASL I class











Shawn, Natalie, Miracle, Caleb; far right: ASL II class











Kennedy, Anthony, Shania, Joe, and Abe

## **Elementary Dorm**

The elementary dorm students had a fun time at Froggy's Family Entertainment Center recently. They got to jump on inflatables and celebrate Zion's birthday!









Allison coming off the slide; students running in the bouncy house; Sinclare holding up peace signs, all of the students in front of the bouncy house.









The elementary department celebrated 2 birthdays on the same day! Zion's and Autumn's classes had little parties for them to celebrate their special day.

Zion with his family and gifts; Zion eating a birthday cupcake in class; Autumn opens a gift; birthday girl with friends Allison and Elijah.







#### MATH!

Congratulations to Aaliyah and Zaida for finishing the Math Facts Challenge! These young ladies passed the final challenge for division. Great job!!

Sandy Wimpy's 3rd grade math class created a bridge map for multiplication. Great way to visually show how multiplication works!

Aaliyah and Zaida with Principal Sharion Gooden; Elijah and Autumn with teacher Sandy showing the bridge map.

- **Upcoming Events** 3/38 Kindergarten Easter Egg Hunt
- 3/11-22 Milestones Benchmark Testing
- Thursday 3/28 HOMEGOING

• 3/17 St. Patrick's Day

- 3/29-4/7
- 3/19 High School Boys Dorm trip to Rome
- **SPRING BREAK**

• 3/21 5th grade Fire Safety trip



3/28 Math Fun Day (Elementary)

#### Cells

The 5th Grade Scientists have been studying plant and animal cells. Georgia Standards require them to know the five parts of cells: cell wall, cell membrane, nucleus, cytoplasm, and chloroplasts. They are aware that plant cells have more structured shape than animal cells. Pictured below is a snapshot of the microscope view of a pine wood. The students also gathered Silkie (breed of hen) eggs last week! —from teacher Loren Frick









Allie Kate, Sinclare, and Adrian look at cell samples through a microscope; close up of pine wood cell; all students with Silkie eggs (Sinclare is holding the hen).











Natalie gives a thumb's up; Gary thanks Principal Sharion for his ice cream; Santos shows peace sign for Peace Day; Isaiah asks Marie, "Why are you taking my picture?"







Kudos to Middle and High School for earning 10 Peace Days and ice cream. Keep up the great work!

Middle School students (and teacher Sydney!) ham it up for the camera with their ice cream.

# Students Learning!



Miracle learned about agriculture during Emerge Leadership's session last week. The group visited Jackson Farm (next door to GSD, the family farm of our superintendent!) and learned about beef cattle farming. The group also took a mini-tour of GSD and Miracle shared information about the history of GSD and Deaf Culture.

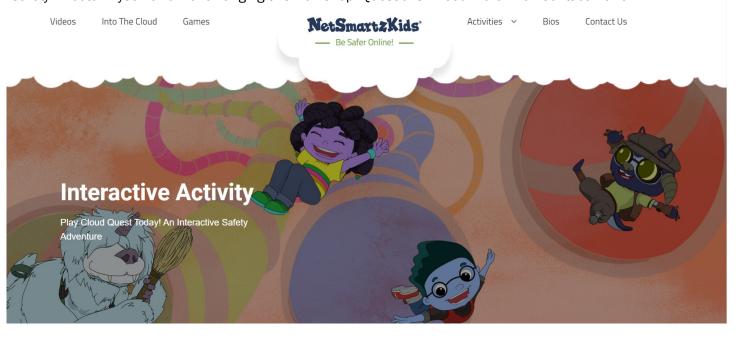




Maki learned about the National Anthem in Rebekah Anthony's SS class. Zion, Waylon, and Maki read together in class.

#### **Internet Safety Workshop**

Thank you to all the families who participated in the Internet Safety workshop hosted by the Division of State Schools! Online safety is a HUGE priority for us all. In the workshop, a parent from Atlanta Area School for the Deaf shared how her daughter was lured into trusting some bad people through chat rooms. Fortunately, her daughter is ok, but she came close to serious danger. Georgia Bureau of Investigation Agent April Griffith, who has worked for many years investigating computer-related crimes against children, gave a great presentation about the dangers that are out there and ways parents and families can keep children safe. The most important tip? COMMUNICATE! Have discussions about online safety OFTEN with your child! The sessions were recorded, so if you could not attend, Marie will send you a link to the recordings (English with ASL interpretation or English with Spanish interpretation). She also recommended this website, NetSmartzKids.com, that has great FREE resources for parents and kids. The website is accessible in English and Spanish. A super big THANK YOU to State Schools' Safety Director Elyse Ferrell for arranging this workshop! Questions? Need more info? Contact Marie!



Into The Cloud











#### **Parents:**

Full-size camp flyers are available on our website at www.gsdweb. org.





REGISTER NOW!

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# **PROGRAMS 2024**

**JUNE 15-22, 2024** 

#### **DISCOVER COLLEGE AND CAREERS**

Discover your future by exploring college programs, potential career and immersive student life at Gallaudet University!

Interested in information technology and cybersecurity? This is your chance to soar into the next generation of cyber stars!

#### **IMMERSE INTO ASL!**

Dive into the world of ASL with Deaf mentors, engage in ASL conversation with new friends, and embark on a journey of self-discovery.

## JUNE 23-30, 2024

#### **BISON SPORTS CAMP**

Explore all 19 collegiate team sports, including Esports in our state-of-the-art, DeafSpace-designed gaming arena, and play on the disc golf course on our vibrant campus.

### JUNE 24-29, 2024, 9a-5p

#### **IMMERSE INTO ASL! Day Camp**

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STEM Academy goals for high school students who are deaf and hard of hearing are the following:

- Close the gaps in the academic content areas of English language arts, language, reading, mathematics, and emotional intelligence
- Develop American Sign Language (ASL) literacy.
- Develop leadership skills
- Enhance college readiness
- Encourage an interest in STEM fields

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· Build social capital in the Deaf community



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AIDB Alabama Institute for Deaf and Blind



For Deaf and Hard of **Hearing Youth** 





Camp Viola, LaGrange GA Ages: 6 - 13

#### **Activities Include:**

Hiking, Team Building Games, Canoeing, Arts & Crafts, Swimming, and More!

#### Register:

gcdhh.org/campjuliena

#### For more information:

Call us at 404-292-5312





Through the use of robotics, students can learn computer science skills. They will be exposed to various types of programming: Blocks, Python, and C++ among others!

Even though we are using robotics as the medium, gaining the use of these coding skills will open a world of opportunities for their futures.



More programs that are similar in scope -

- DIY Projects with:
  - Raspberry Pi
  - Arduino
- Small Welding Projects
- **Dobot Manufacturing Skills**

Our goal is to increase STEM skills among Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing students to prepare them for future careers. Many essential parts of STEM learning such as critical thinking, problem-solving, teamwork, collaboration, planning, organization, and self-management can be addressed through robotics.



RIT Regional STEM Center



Changing the World -One Robot at a Time

Improve your skills through: STEM Days Trainings/Workshops

Contact us to get started!

Address: 1209 Ft. Lashley Ave



# LAND

Interested in setting up robotics at your school? This can be part of your curriculum or an after school sport. We can help you start up for free.



We partner with VEX Robotics and the REC Foundation to bring the amazing world of robotics into your school. Students learn engineering and teamwork skills while programming their robots. Train your students and watch their STEM imagination and creativity take over the

Ignite passion for a STEM career! We offer the Dash or Sphero robot for free as an entry point for new learners! Start them early on the road with an authentic programming experience to become inventors and creators!

# AIR

Want to live in the clouds? Fly a drone! Students learn about GPS, electrical engineering, and aerodynamics while learning piloting skills.

Awaken interest in coding, engineering, aviation, technology and math through drones. Build one and take it home!



or

# SEA

If land or air is not your thing, head to the waters! Students can build a remotely operated vehicle and drive it underseas. Learn marine concepts such as buoyancy and engineering with submersibles while studying and exploring life underwater!



#### Curriculum & Standards

Regardless of your robotics route, each option provides appealing project-based activities, and fulfill many of the criteria for Next Generation Science Standards, Standards for Technological Literacy, Common Core and/or ASL Standards.

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# **TechTigers**

For students entering 7th, 8th, or 9th grade in fall 2024

July 20-25, 2024

Deadline to register:

May 17, 2024

Details:

rit.edu/ntid/techtigers

Questions? Email techtiaers@rit.edu

Students explore careers in science, technology, engineering, and math, use

high-tech equipment, conduct laboratory experiments, and create a gadget to take home.



Use email addresses above or call 585–475–7695 (voice) or 585–286–4555 (videophone)

# RIT National Technical Institute for the Deaf

# **Summer Outreach Programs 2024**

for Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Students

> Explore Your Future

> Health Care Careers Exploration Program

> TechTigers



### rit.edu/ntid/outreach

# **Explore Your Future**

For students entering 11th or 12th grade in fall 2024

Session I: July 6-11, 2024 Session II: July 13-18, 2024

Deadline to apply: May 17, 2024

Details: rit.edu/ntid/eyf

Questions? Email eyfinfo@rit.edu

Explore Your Future is a six-day career awareness program where students experience college life, enjoy hands-on activities, and sample careers in the

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fields of business, computing, engineering, health sciences, science, and art.

# Health Care Careers Exploration Program

For students entering 10th,  $11^{th}$ , or  $12^{th}$  grade in fall 2024

July 20-25, 2024

Deadline to apply:

May 17, 2024

Details:

rit.edu/ntid/healthcareers

Questions? Email ntidoutreach@rit.edu

Students will learn about various careers in health care; enjoy field trips to area medical facilities; be a part of hands-on demonstrations in

biology, exercise science, laboratory science, microbiology, nursing, and nutrition; become CPR certified; and more.

