

Summer Math Program for Young Scholars

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**Center for
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Talent****NYU Courant Summer Math Program for Young Scholars Contract**

Please read the following terms carefully. Your signature at the end of this Contract indicates your understanding of and willingness to abide by the rules and policies governing the Summer Math Program for Young Scholars ("Summer Math") set forth in this Contract and online in the *Summer Math Program Handbook*. Failure to comply with the rules and policies of Summer Math may lead to disciplinary action up to and including dismissal from the program without refund of tuition or fees.

Summer Math is an academically rigorous program in which each student's active and supportive participation is highly valued. The program is intensive, involving a variety of classroom activities, homework assignments, and chaperoned program activities that will be intellectually demanding and time-consuming. Students in the program will have the opportunity to contribute to and benefit from participation in a unique community of peers and must be respectful of others and thoughtful about the impact of their actions upon their community. It is very important to understand that the dedication and focus upon one's academic work is what makes Summer Math successful.

Summer Math Rules and Policies

The following is a summary of some of the significant rules and policies of Summer Math. In addition to the rules and policies set forth below, students and parents should also review the *Summer Math Program Handbook*, which contains more detailed information and links to administrative policies and procedures, academic standards, student conduct standards, and residential policies.

Program Regulations:

- Students must attend a mandatory orientation.
- Students must attend classes as stipulated in their course syllabi.
- Students are expected to be on time. This applies not only to class time, but also to field trips, group excursions, projects, homework, use of space, etc.

Health and Wellness Support:

Summer Math is an intensive educational experience in which students will face academic and personal challenges that allow them numerous opportunities for self-discovery and growth. The experience may present potential stressors as well. Therefore, students and families are responsible for arranging for the support of medical or mental health professionals, as needed, prior to the start of the program.

Statement on Ethics and Community Responsibility:

NYU is committed to offering each student a meaningful experience. Summer Math expects all students to understand the difference between acceptable and unacceptable behavior and to be responsible for their actions. Students may not engage in disrespectful, exclusionary, discriminatory, or abusive behavior that disrupts and/or compromises the learning experience of others. Prohibited behavior includes, but is not limited to: (a) community/social misconduct such as abusive use of social networking sites, verbal abuse, threats to injure or harm another or oneself, discrimination, or harassment; (b) academic misconduct such as lateness, disrupting another's work, cheating, or plagiarizing; and (c) program misconduct such as breaking any rules or policies applicable to Summer Math. Summer Math staff reserves the right to judge the severity of any misconduct and to determine appropriate disciplinary actions /consequences

Policy on Substance Abuse:

- The possession or use of cigarettes, other tobacco products, e-cigarettes, and vaporizers by students is strictly prohibited, regardless of the age of the student.
- The possession or use of alcohol by students is strictly prohibited.
- The possession or illegal use of a controlled substance or the possession of related paraphernalia by students is strictly prohibited.
- Smoking, consuming alcohol, illegal drug use, and the use of other abusive substances (e.g. unprescribed medications) are strictly prohibited at any time during Summer Math and at any location on or off campus. Violations of this policy are grounds for dismissal from Summer Math without refund.

Discriminatory Harassment:

New York University and Summer Math are committed to maintaining a learning and working environment that is free of bias, prejudice, and harassment – an environment that supports, nurtures, and rewards educational advancement on the basis of ability and performance. Harassment based upon race, gender, gender identity or expression, color, religion, age, national origin, ethnicity, disability, veteran or military status, sexual orientation, marital status, citizenship status, or any other legally protected basis is prohibited and undermines the character and purpose of Summer Math. Any form of such harassment will not be tolerated.

NYU Policy on Sexual Harassment:

New York University and Summer Math are committed to maintaining a safe learning environment that is free of acts of violence, harassment, and other forms of sexual misconduct that undermine the character and purpose of the University and to creating a campus and program climate that supports, nurtures, and rewards educational advancement on the basis of ability and performance. All students are subject to this policy and also are encouraged to report any incidents of sexual assault or harassment of which they become aware that compromise the well-being of an individual or the Summer Math community.

Disciplinary Processes:

Summer Math has a zero tolerance policy with respect to the possession or use of cigarettes, alcohol, and illegal drugs and substances (including paraphernalia). Any student determined to have violated these policies will be immediately dismissed from Summer Math without refund. All other policy violations will be addressed in accordance with Summer Math adjudication processes set forth in the Summer Math Program Handbook, and may result in a variety of sanctions depending upon the circumstances of the violation ranging from a warning to dismissal from Summer Math without refund. It is important to note that students found present while a violation is occurring may be subject to disciplinary action along with the principle violator(s).

Confidentiality and Parent/Guardian Notification:

The federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) establishes standards concerning the privacy of student education records and the rights of students to inspect and review their education records. As enrolled students in a post-secondary institution, Summer Math students are entitled to the protection afforded them under FERPA, and the right of access to educational records belongs to the student no matter the legal age or status as a minor. Students may elect to sign a Consent to Disclosure of Student Information form, available online in the Summer Math Program Handbook, to permit the release of information to their parents or guardians about the student while in the program. Please be advised, however, that FERPA allows Summer Math to notify the parents or guardians of a student when there is a significant threat to a student's health and safety or if a student has violated a University or Summer Math rule or policy or public law concerning alcohol or another controlled substance. The decision to notify parents or guardians in such situations will be made according to the professional judgment of appropriate staff and does not require prior consent of the student. Students may or may not be consulted in the notification process.



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Date: _____

Student Printed Name

Student Signature
(to electronically sign in Adobe, select Sign in above toolbar)

Parent or Guardian Printed Name

Parent or Guardian Signature
(to electronically sign in Adobe, select Sign in above toolbar)