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## Rising Grade 8 students invited to Career and Technical Education Virtual Summer Camp

Free online camp to be held June 27 – July 1, open to 240 students

Towson, MD – Baltimore County Public Schools' students who will enter Grade 8 next school year are invited to participate in a free Career and Technical Education Virtual Summer Camp from Monday, June 27, through Friday, July 1.

The camp is designed to immerse students in a variety of career clusters to introduce them to high school career and technical education pathways in BCPS. The first 240 students who apply will be accepted. Online applications are available now and must be completed by Friday, May 27. There are no program costs for students or their families. Students will be assigned to Group 1, which will meet from 8-10.45 a.m., or Group 2, meeting from 10.15 a.m. -1 p.m. Prior to the camp, students will be expected to pick up a CTE bag filled with camp supplies and resources.

Adam, a 2021 CTE camper said, "The hands-on projects and experiments I completed during the CTE Summer Camp were fun and challenging. By meeting actual teachers from magnet programs and connecting activities with their classes, I was better prepared to look at programs in my 8th-grade year."

The parent of a 2021 camper said, "Watching my son learn about so many CTE programs in such a short period of time was truly impactful. By the end of the week, he had a great understanding of the programs that best matched his interests and how they connected with future goals in high school. I highly recommend this experience!"

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