

## Closing the Achievement Gap

*Every summer, low-income youth lose two to three months in reading skills while their higher income peers make slight gains. Most youth lose about two months of math skills in the summer. These reading and math losses add up. By fifth grade, summer learning loss can leave low income students 3 years behind their peers. Research shows that while gaps in student achievement remain relatively constant during the school year, the gap widens significantly during the summer.*  
National Summer Learning Association



Horizons Hampton Roads has a proven track record of reducing *Summer Slide* for its 400 students. Not only do Horizons students not fall behind, they make academic advances. Since 1999, Horizons Hampton Roads participants have demonstrated consistent gains of 8-12 weeks' grade equivalency in reading and math during each of our 6-week summer sessions along with improved attendance and self-esteem.



## Inspiring Minds

*Horizons Hampton Roads inspires young minds through proven summer enrichment programs where low-income children are challenged academically, socially and physically to meet with greater **successes in school and in life** and are rewarded with gains on academic testing and grow in confidence*



## Building Community

*Horizons brings together all members of the community, leveraging local resources to create a safe learning environment where low-income public school **students can fulfill their potential**. Private Schools, Public Schools, local businesses and dedicated individuals all work together to make this happen*



## Transforming Lives

*During six weeks of summer learning, Horizons transforms lives by enriching the mind with knowledge, the spirit with confidence, and the imagination with **possibility** while providing daily swim lessons for physical recreation*

## Horizons Hampton Roads

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# "Inspiring minds, building community, transforming lives"



## Horizons Hampton Roads

Horizons Hampton Roads is an academic, cultural and recreational enrichment program that runs for six weeks each summer. We serve students from Norfolk, Portsmouth and Virginia Beach public schools who are eligible for free/reduced lunch. Our population are students at or below grade level who enjoy school but may experience difficulty accessing the regular curriculum without intervention.



## Enrollment

**EVERY student must apply every year.**

Preference is given to returning students. Registration for returning students begins January 1. Spots will be held for potentially returning students until March 15. After that, **all** students will be placed on the wait list and spots will be filled from the waitlist. Priority is also given to siblings of current attendees but it is imperative that enrollment commence early so that space is available. Prior to March 15, new students will be admitted as space permits.

## New Students

Enrollment is coordinated through your school counselor. If you are interested in having your child attend Horizons, ask the school counselor for an application or to call us for application materials. School personnel should contact our Enrollment Specialist, Cathy Martinez at (757) 412-0249 x3

## Family Night

In order to complete enrollment and admission for ALL students, a MANDATORY evening session must be attended by the enrolling student and an adult family member (parent or designated adult). This meeting is held in May.

## The Six-Week Summer Program

### Program Hours

8:30am - 3:00pm Monday – Friday

### Locations

Virginia Beach – Chesapeake Bay Academy  
Norfolk – Norfolk Collegiate School  
Portsmouth – Portsmouth Catholic Regional School

### Schedule

The *daily schedule* includes breakfast, lunch and a snack, reading, math, stem activities and swimming.

The *weekly schedule* includes a field trip, art and music classes, “specials” such as Lego Robotics, Chess, 3D printing, photography or sailing.

### Cost

A \$25 registration fee is due for each student when accepted into the program. Enrollment is not complete nor guaranteed until receipt of this fee. This fee will be refunded if withdrawal notice is given prior to May 31 and we are able to fill the spot. Returning students who are no longer eligible for free or reduced meal services will be asked to pay a \$125 program fee in addition to the registration fee.

### Transportation

Transportation to Horizons will be provided to/from centralized BUS STOPS (not door-to-door service). Bus stops will be determined by the School Transportation Office according to the locations of admitted students. Parents are responsible for getting students to a bus stop or directly to Horizons.

