

Camp Invention set to offer STEM engagement for K-6 students

Camp Invention, a nationally recognized, nonprofit summer enrichment camp program, is coming to Pillow Academy in Greenwood the week of July 9 - July 13.

Camp Invention is the only nationally recognized summer program focused on creativity, innovation, real-world problem solving and the spirit of invention. Through hands-on programming, Camp Invention encourages children entering kindergarten through sixth grade to explore science, technology, engineering and mathematics curriculum inspired by some of the world's greatest inventors. Since 1990, our education programs have served more than 1.3 million children, and 125,000 teachers and Leadership Interns. Regional program sponsors include the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Army Educational Outreach Program and Duck Tape®

brand duct tape.

A program of the National Inventors Hall of Fame (NIHF), in partnership with the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Camp Invention challenges children in Grades K-6 to find their "inner inventor" by learning the process of innovation. Using hands-on activities, Camp Invention promotes science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) learning; builds resourcefulness and problem-solving skills; and encourages entrepreneurship — in a fun and engaging environment.

Each year, the program features a new curriculum inspired by some of our nation's most brilliant inventors — the NIHF Inductees. This year's Fast Forward curriculum features several video challenges from these Inductees encouraging children to be confident in their ideas and explore their innovative-

ness. These hands-on activities include:

- * Optibot™: Campers will launch into the future with their own Optibot — a small self-driving robot that senses changes in light.
- * Robotic Pet Vet™: Throughout this module, campers nurse their robotic puppy back to health and design and build dog parks as they hammer out ideas for the best park attraction.
- * Mod My Mini Mansion™: Campers will dream up and design their very own futuristic smart home filled with gadgets, LEDs, technology and innovations!
- * Stick To It™: Campers will invent something new every day as they explore what it is like to be a physicist, engineer and entrepreneur. Young innovators will invent, make and craft solutions to real-world challenges by building their own prototypes and discovering that anything is possible.

At the end of the program, each camper will bring home two personalized robots! Learn more about this year's all-new curriculum.

All local Camp Invention programs are facilitated and taught



Let Him Fix It

I'm sure you've had an appliance you may have tried to fix, but with no success. So you took it to the specialist. You explained the problem and then... offered to stay and help fix it? or hovered at the workbench asking questions about the progress? How about threw a sleeping bag on the floor so you could watch the repairman at work? If you did any of these things, you don't understand the relationship between client and repairman. The arrangement is uncomplicated. Leave it with by certified educators who reside and teach in the community. Camp Invention serves more than 140,000 students every year and partners with nearly 1,700 schools and districts across the nation.

For additional information or to find a camp near you, visit campinvention.org.

him to fix it!

Our protocol with God is equally simple. Leave your problem with him. God doesn't need our help, counsel, or assistance. Please repeat this phrase: I hereby resign as ruler of the universe. When God is ready for us to re-engage, he will let us know. Until then, replace anxious thoughts with grateful ones. God takes thanksgiving seriously!

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Crop	CBOT Month	Delivery Period	Futures Price	EGT Basis	Net Price	Change
Wheat	May 18	2018 Apr	4.62	-0.42	4.20	-0.01
Wheat	Jul 18	2018 July	4.75	-0.22	4.53	-0.02
Milo	Dec 18	2018 Aug-Sep	4.04	-0.36	3.68	0.01
Corn	May 18	2018 Apr	3.79	0.05	3.84	0.02
Corn	Sep 18	2018 Aug	3.95	0.03	3.98	0.02
Soybeans Sidon	Nov 18	2018 Aug-Sep	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Soybeans G'wood	May 18	2018 Apr	10.21	-0.13	10.08	-0.08
Soybeans G'wood	Nov 18	2018 Aug-Sep	10.28	-0.14	10.14	-0.09
Soybeans Minter City	Nov 18	2018 Aug-Sep	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Rice	May 18		13.065			0.075
Rice	Sep 18		12.200			0.035
Cotton	May 18		83.19			-2.280
Cotton	Dec 18		79.35			-0.080

Prices as of 2:00 p.m. on 4/23/18

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2017 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

Sweethome Water & Sewer District
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April 2018

We're pleased to present to you this year's Annual Quality Water Report. This report is designed to inform you about the quality water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water. Our water source is from wells drawing from the Meridian Upper Wilcox Aquifer.

The source water assessment has been completed for our public water system to determine the overall susceptibility of its drinking water supply to identified potential sources of contamination. A report containing detailed information on how the susceptibility determinations were made has been furnished to our public water system and is available for viewing upon request. The wells for the Sweethome Water & Sewer District have received lower to moderate susceptibility rankings to contamination.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Coregnald Patton, Operator at 662.613.0515. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. They are held on the first Monday of each month at 6:00 PM at 201 Spring Street, Lexington, MS 39095.

We routinely monitor for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. This table below lists all of the drinking water contaminants that we detected during the period of January 1st to December 31st, 2017. In cases where monitoring wasn't required in 2017, the table reflects the most recent results. As water travels over the surface of land or underground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive materials and can pick up substances or contaminants from the presence of animals or from human activity, microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, that may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife; inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm-water runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming; pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm-water runoff, and residential uses; organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations and septic systems; radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. It's important to remember that the presence of these contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk.

In this table you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions:

Action Level - the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Treatment Technique (TT) - A treatment technique is a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) - The "Maximum Allowed" (MCL) is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) - The "Goal" (MCLG) is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) - The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary to control microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) - The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk of health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

Level 1 Assessment - A study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system.

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HCSD Counselor of the Year



Latosha Brown (pictured at left) was named Counselor of the Year for 2017-2018 during the Holmes County School District's 14th Annual Excellence in Education Awards that was held on Thursday, April 19 at the Lexington Multi-Purpose Complex. Brown was nominated by S.V. Marshall Elementary School. Presenting the awards was Holmes County Interim Superintendent Dr. Angel Meeks. (Photo by Matthew Breazeale)

HCSD Golden Apple Award



Lead Teacher Porche Dixon (pictured at left) was presented the Golden Apple Award for 2017-2018 during the Holmes County School District's 14th Annual Excellence in Education Awards that was held on Thursday, April 19 at the Lexington Multi-Purpose Complex. Dixon was nominated by S.V. Marshall Elementary School. Presenting the awards was Holmes County Interim Superintendent Dr. Angel Meeks. (Photo by Matthew Breazeale)

HCSD Administrator of the Year



Assistant Principal Frederick LeFlore (pictured at left) was named Administrator of the Year for 2017-2018 during the Holmes County School District's 14th Annual Excellence in Education Awards that was held on Thursday, April 19 at the Lexington Multi-Purpose Complex. LeFlore was nominated by Williams-Sullivan Elementary School. Presenting the awards was Holmes County Interim Superintendent Dr. Angel Meeks. (Photo by Matthew Breazeale)

HCSD Parent of the Year



Brenda Powell (pictured at left) was named Parent of the Year for 2017-2018 during the Holmes County School District's 14th Annual Excellence in Education Awards that was held on Thursday, April 19 at the Lexington Multi-Purpose Complex. Powell was nominated by Holmes County Central High School. Presenting the awards was Holmes County Interim Superintendent Dr. Angel Meeks. (Photo by Matthew Breazeale)

TEST RESULTS

Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Date Collected	Level Detected	Range of Detects or # of Samples Exceeding MCL/AQL	Unit Measure-ment	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Inorganic Contaminants								
10. Barium	N	2015*	0655	0103 - 0655	ppm	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
13. Chromium	N	2015*	1.3	1.2 - 1.3	ppb	100	100	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; erosion of natural deposits
14. Copper	N	2015/17	.1	0	ppm	1.3	AL=1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
17. Lead	N	2015/17	2	0	ppb	0	AL=15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits
Disinfection By-Products								
81. HAA5	N	2014*	3	No Range	ppb	0	60	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
82. TTHM [Total trihalomethanes]	N	2014*	3.65	No Range	ppb	0	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination.
Chlorine	N	2017	.8	4 - 1	Mgl	0	MDRL = 4	Water additive used to control microbes

* Most recent sample. No sample required for 2017.

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a monthly basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. We did complete the monitoring requirements for bacteriological sampling that showed one sample with coliform present. There were no bacteria in the resamples.

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Our water system is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/leadwater/lead>. The Mississippi State Department of Health Public Health Laboratory offers lead testing. Please contact 601.576.7562 if you wish to have your water tested.

All sources of drinking water are subject to potential contamination by substances that are naturally occurring or man made. These substances can be microbes, inorganic or organic chemicals and radioactive substances. All drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contamination in drinking water than the general population. Immunocompromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline 1-800-426-4791.

The Sweethome Water and Sewer District works around the clock to provide top quality water to every tap. We ask that all our customers help us protect our water sources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life and our children's future.