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YMWIC 2024 Summer Programs Wrap-Up

The last few weeks at the **Young Men and Women in Charge Summer STEAM & Language Arts Summer Programs** were a whirlwind of discovery, creativity, and unrelenting commitment to achieve goals. Our dedicated Scholars were deeply immersed in their science projects, diligently applying themselves to both the experimentation and preparation stages. Their efforts culminated in a showcase of their project boards, where they demonstrated not only their scientific findings but also their presentation skills.

The two final field trips were to The Franklin Institute where Scholars most enjoyed the **SportsZone** and **Your Brain** exhibits and all the interactive displays. The final trip to the Philadelphia Zoo, the region's leading family and tourism destination housing nearly 1,700 animals, was amazing! A tidbit of information you may find interesting is that the Philadelphia Zoo's opening was delayed by our country's Civil War and did not open until July 1, 1874. The campers enjoyed perfect weather while enjoying a great time observing, learning about, and having close-up encounters with animals.



During the final week, families and friends were invited to join us as the Scholars proudly presented their Science Projects. This culminating event of our summer STEAM and ELA Camp celebrated their hard work, innovative experiments, and the skills they honed over the summer. We welcomed families to support and applaud our young scientists during their presentations, which were followed by light refreshments and certificates of completion.



Campers had so much fun while participating in “edutaining” activities during the last week. Norristown campers were treated to Rita's Water Ice and pretzels by

a fellow camper's family, and they also enjoyed a Pajama Day and a Hat Day. Lots of games were played at all Chapters, as well as drawing and coloring (including chalk drawing outside at the Coatesville Chapter), reading, and writing of final reflections. We are so proud of our Scholars and their growth and progress over the summer!