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YMWIC 2025 Summer Programs

Saint Vincent Middle School Science Retreat

Since 2013, Saint Vincent College has collaborated with YMWIC by hosting an exciting, interactive, immersive Summer STEM Camp for YMWIC Middle School Scholars. This month, the College and its Herbert W. Boyer School of Natural Sciences, Mathematics, and Computing welcomed a select group of YMWIC Middle School Scholars for a 5-day, In-Residence Experience on the Saint Vincent campus in Latrobe, Pennsylvania. These specially-selected Scholars enjoyed an actual campus experience, professor-led workshops, campus tours, and special presentations led by college staff and students. There was a Q & A session in which they were able to speak with current Saint Vincent students and ask questions about their college experiences.

The exciting activities Scholars participated in, both indoor and outdoor, included:

- Computer Programming - Drones and Video Game design
- Chemistry and Crime - Finger Printing and Blood Typing
- What's the Bug in the Air?
- Tall grass and field insect collection
- Mounting Insects for Preservation
- What's the Bug in the Water
- Stream macroinvertebrate sampling and identification
- Statistics/Data Science
- Daphnia (water fleas) and Drug Response
- Listen to Me - Nursing activities
- Mathematics
- Evening activities which included swimming, game night (extra-large Jenga, Connect 4 and other games), movie night, water balloons, campfire and making smores.



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Scholars had the unique opportunity to see first-hand what their future college experiences may be like by living in the dorms and eating in the student dining hall. Later each day after their classes were completed, the Saint Vincent staff planned various games, outdoor activities, and some free time for the Scholars. A special thank you to Beth Bollinger, Chemistry Lab Manager, for helping to arrange a great, memorable itinerary for our Scholars' visit.

