Testing begins for children’s summer program at Sacramento State

Academic Talent Search (ATS), a summer program at Sacramento State, offers fourth- through ninth-grade students the opportunity to explore new subjects and learn skills far beyond their grade levels.

Testing to qualify for ATS ([http://edweb.csus.edu/projects/ats/](http://edweb.csus.edu/projects/ats/)) is under way at elementary and middle schools, and on the University campus. Sacramento State campus exam dates are the mornings of Feb. 8 and 22, and March 1 and 15. Pre-registration is required, so interested parents should contact ATS at ats@csus.edu or by calling (916) 278-7032. A $15 processing fee is payable on the day of the test.

On-site testing is being held at more than 200 schools. Parents should check with their students’ individual schools to see if they are participating.

ATS will offer more than 100 classes and nine different sessions from June 16 through Aug. 1. Classes for sixth- through ninth-graders include Intro to TV Broadcasting, Mock Trial and Game Programming. Fourth- and fifth-graders’ classes include Draw Like a Pro! and Introduction to Robotics.

The program is nonprofit and receives no state, federal or University funding. Course fees may range from $149 to $439, depending on the subject and length of the course. Information on financial aid will be available in the catalog, which will be online in late March. More than $59,000 in financial aid scholarships and fee waivers was granted to students last year.

ATS is extremely popular with parents, with one of them stating that “attending a class and experiencing campus life at a major university was a unique opportunity for (our daughter), and I believe will help her with her college selection and experience in the future.”

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