For locations, dates, hours, grade levels, and tuition for all summer 2020 programs, click on the “Summer 2020 Overview” on our website’s home page (upper left margin) under “Summer downloads for parents.” Course offerings for each program can be found on the individual program flyers, which are accessible from the rectangular “tiles” running down the center of our home page. Click either on the name of the program city under the tile, or on the tile itself if there is no city name under the tile.

Program Structure

Project '20 program sessions meet on weekdays for one, two, or three weeks, each. Students enroll for either full-day (9:00-3:00), morning half-day (9:00-11:40), or afternoon half-day (12:20-3:00) for the entire one-, two- or three-week length of their program. In Palatine and at Session II in Elmhurst, the daily program format for each student is determined by his or her course selections and will be either two 80-minute classes or a single 160-minute workshop each half day for the length of the program. At Session I in Elmhurst, all students will enjoy a single 160-minute workshop each half day.

Before beginning their afternoon courses, students enrolled for the full day join their peers for lunch and appropriate outdoor and/or indoor recreational activities. (See “Lunch options” on next page.)

Extended Care

Organized, nurturing supervision by qualified staff is offered every morning between 7:30 and 9:00, and from 3:00 to 6:00 each afternoon. Pre-registration is not required.

Other Details

- **Application:** We recommend applying online at [www.centerforgifted.org](http://www.centerforgifted.org). There are no application deadlines; they are accepted until the program begins. To be rendered complete, all applications must include the required deposit. Applications from students who are new to our programs also must include the three required eligibility documents (see “Eligibility” on last page). Paper applications can be downloaded from our website and faxed to 847-901-0179; emailed to info@centerforgifted.org; mailed to The Center for Gifted, Box 364, Wilmette 60091; or brought to us at 1926 Waukegan Road in Glenview. (No phone applications, please).

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• **Enrollment:** Enrollment remains open until each program begins. Parents receive email notification of enrollment status after we have received their *complete* applications. Applicants who are new to our programs are tentatively enrolled—a spot in the program is reserved—until we receive their eligibility materials. If we do not receive them by one week before their respective programs begin, tentative enrollments may be cancelled.

• **Course selection:** Unless otherwise noted in their descriptions, all courses are available in both the morning and afternoon segments of the program. Each course is designed to challenge and inspire its students for the entire length of the program in which it is offered. Follow instructions on the online application for listing course choices. Parents may phone or email us to change course choices at any time before classes are assigned.

• **Placement:** Class assignments are made and emailed to parents, along with other enrollment information, during the week before each program begins. Requests to change class assignments are welcome at any time before or during the program and will be accommodated as space allows. The great majority of students are assigned courses they selected on their applications. If a student is assigned a course he or she did not select, parents may contact us to discuss course options.

• **Tuition, Fees:** Tuition for Project ’20 in Palatine is $1300 for full-day students and $650 for half-day students; for Session I in Elmhurst it is $440 for full day and $220 for half day; for Session II in Elmhurst it is $880 for full day and $440 for half day. Certain courses require lab fees; these are noted in the course descriptions (see individual program flyers on our website home page). For every applicant, a $10 application fee is charged per program/session; it is not refundable. The fee for morning Extended Care is $10 per day. The fee for afternoon Extended Care is $10 per hour or any part thereof.

• **Payments:** The required minimum deposit is $80 per program/session per student. Deposits must accompany application and will be credited to tuition. The balance of tuition and fees is due in full by two weeks before the start date of each program. On that due date, any unpaid tuition or fees will be automatically deducted from the bank card the family used to pay its deposit. Families who apply on or after their due dates must pay full tuition and fees upon application. Payments online are accepted with American Express, Diners Club, Discover, MasterCard, and Visa cards. Payments made at program sites or by mail are accepted by checks or money orders payable to The Center for Gifted, and cash. Extended Care fees can be prepaid online with application or paid on site (cash or check only) before or on the day they are incurred.

• **Refunds, Credits:** Tuition, lab fees, and extended care fees are fully refunded for withdrawals requested before the first day of the program. The $10 application fee is not refunded. There are no refunds, credits, or discounts for absences of any length or for any reason, for late or partial enrollments, for siblings, or for enrolling in multiple programs.

• **Lunch options:** Students may bring sack lunches and drinks from home. At the Project ’20 programs at Elmhurst College, “full hot lunches” and/or *à la carte* items can be purchased daily from the College cafeteria. They accept cash and bank cards. The price for a “full hot lunch” last summer was $10.70. We will notify you when the College publishes its summer 2020 semester lunch prices in the spring. (They are not expected to increase by much.)

• **Financial assistance:** Need-based financial assistance is available. To apply, a financial assistance application and a $40 processing fee per family (in lieu of the required $80 deposit) must be submitted along with the program application. The $40 fee is refunded if the student does not enroll. The financial assistance form can be requested via phone, fax, or email to The Center for Gifted.

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• **Open House**: At Project ‘20 in Palatine, on Thursday evening, June 25 (the day before the last day of the three-week program), students will present a gala Open House for their parents and families. Class projects and activities will be demonstrated and showcased, performing arts classes will present live performances, and faculty and staff will be on hand to greet parents, share with them about their courses and students, and answer questions about anything you ask. (They love to talk!) The evening is tentatively scheduled to begin at 6:30 and conclude by 8:30.

**Eligibility**

Please refer to our Eligibility Requirements, a pdf of which can be downloaded from our website's home page under “Summer downloads for parents” (left margin, near the top). For the individual grade level requirements for each program, click on the “Summer 2020 Overview” link, found in the same area on our home page.

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