

Super Saturday **STEM** Academy

Who: Identified Gifted Students (Grades 3 – 8)

When: Saturday, February 8, 2025



Where:

956 Woodlawn Academy Rd.

Chatham, VA 24531

434-432-8185

Time: 9:00 AM – 12 Noon

Classes Offered:

- Art is Close to My Heart
- STEM-a-Palooza!
- Chess Is Like War On A Board
- Art of Mathematics
- Survival of the Fittest



CHOICE #1**ART IS CLOSE TO MY HEART**

Come and explore various art forms to tap into your artistic creativity. Learn how to use torn paper to create a beautiful snowscape, make a 3-D heart tree, and use watercolors to make a heart with rays painting.

CHOICE #2**STEM-A-PALOOZA!**

This is a class of fun-filled engineering and design challenges that will be hands-on and interactive. We will collaborate to design the fastest balloon car, the rubber band car that can drive the furthest, and the tallest self-supported straw tower that can hold weight. Do you have what it takes to design and create?

CHOICE #3**CHESS IS LIKE WAR ON A BOARD**

Are you interested in the game of chess? Whether you are a novice who knows nothing about the game or a skilled chess player, this class is for you! Students will learn the fundamentals of the game and work to improve their concentration and strategic thinking skills.

CHOICE #4**ART OF MATHEMATICS**

Are you interested in art and mathematics? Join us while we combine two seemingly different disciplines to create colorful masterpieces. We will use geometry to design a patchwork quilt, patience to form intricate Celtic Knots on a grid, a compass and ruler to draw Escher-like art, and more!

CHOICE #5**SURVIVAL OF THE FITTEST**

Calling all nature lovers! Join this exciting and interactive class where you'll discover how engineers draw inspiration from the wonders of nature to tackle human challenges! Dive into the fascinating world of reptiles, birds, and insects as you explore how these incredible organisms adapt to their environments. Engage in thrilling activities like obstacle courses and escape rooms, and unleash your creativity by testing out your very own nature-inspired innovations!

REGISTRATION DEADLINE is 10:00 PM Tuesday, February 4, 2025

- **ONLINE **strongly encouraged****- To register your child online, please go to www.pcs.k12.va.us. At the bottom of the page, select "Upcoming Events" and choose **February 8 Super Saturday STEAM Event** to fill out the form, or SCAN the QR code to your smartphone.

OR

- **PAPER** - Complete the next page AND the Parental Consent Form on the back. Return the completed forms to your Gifted Resource Teacher by the end of school on Tuesday, February 4, 2025.



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Please Print.

My child, _____, who is in the _____ grade
at _____ Elementary/Middle School **WILL / WILL NOT** attend

Super Saturday at the STEM Academy on **February 8, 2025**. Their choice of classes are

Every effort will be made to assign
your child to his or her first choice, but
this is not always possible.

#1 _____

#2 _____

Emergency Phone Numbers _____

Medical Concerns _____

***Please be aware that the return of this form indicating that your child will attend is a commitment to participate in the Super Saturday STEAM Academy.*

****Doors STEM Academy doors will open at 8:30 AM for the Super Saturday STEAM Academy check-in.**

Parent's Name _____

Parent's Signature _____

MUST COMPLETE & RETURN– PARENTAL CONSENT FORM on the back!!!!



Pittsylvania County Schools: Parental Consent Form

For Super Saturday, February 8, 2025

Child's Name: _____

School: _____

Teacher/Homeroom Teacher: _____

Grade: _____

Parental Consent: Publication of Child's Image

Background:

In an effort to promote our County and the region, Pittsylvania County Schools will produce both video and World Wide Web Internet publications for viewing by the general public. In addition, Pittsylvania County Schools may also use the written news media as a means to showcase the division. Efforts will be made to capture the daily and extra-curricular activities of the schools as well as scholastic and sporting competitions. Children will not be identified by name, unless your written approval is granted. The angle of the camera will vary. This means that your child(ren), if photographed, may be viewed from the front, back or side. The proximity of the child to the photographer may be either at a distance or up close. Children may also be photographed alone or in a group setting.

Some parents, for varying reasons, may prefer that their child(ren) not be included in these publications. These reasons may include, but are not limited to: Custody controversies, witness protection programs or other safety issues which may be threatened by the presence of a child's image in a publication. Parents may also simply not want their child(ren) to participate for personal reasons.

Before a child may be photographed, he/she must have parental consent. By signing below, you are authorizing the Pittsylvania County Schools to include your child's image in either a newspaper article, video, a television broadcast, or a World Wide Web publication. Note: Every child who returns a consent form is not guaranteed inclusion in the publications. However, no child will be considered without written parental consent.

Participation is purely voluntary and has no bearing on the education of your child(ren). The wishes of parents will be respected and upheld. It is requested that you sign this form below denoting either your approval or denial of your child(ren) to be included in either a newspaper article, a video, a television broadcast or a World Wide Web publication.

Approval

My signature below authorizes the Pittsylvania County Schools to include my child's image and name in a newspaper article, a video, a television broadcast or a World Wide Web publication or production. I have read, I do understand and I am in agreement with the conditions of this parental consent form. Further, I hold Pittsylvania County Schools harmless should issues or problems arise, possibly resulting from my child's inclusion in these publications. I also understand that my signature below does not guarantee my child(ren)'s inclusion in the aforementioned publications.

Parent's signature

Date

Denial

My signature below certifies that I do **NOT** wish for my child(ren) to be included in a newspaper, a video, a television broadcast or a World Wide Web publication.

Parent's signature

Date