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Subject: West Point Summer Programs

Dear Michelle,

The United States Military Academy at West Point is excited to offer two unique opportunities for high school and middle school students to experience the Academy this summer.

Opportunity 1: Summer Leader Experience (SLE) [View Flyer](#)

This one-week program is designed for current high school juniors, offering them a unique opportunity to experience life as a Cadet at West Point. The action-packed week will be both challenging and rewarding, with participants taking part in:

- Four hands-on academic workshops selected from 17 different options, taught by West Point faculty.
- Physical and mental challenges, including indoor and outdoor obstacle courses, intramurals, and the Candidate Fitness Assessment.
- Leadership and character development through team challenges, the Leader Reaction Course, and ethics discussions led by West Point Cadets.

Check out the [SLE 2024 VIDEO](#) to learn more about the experience.

Students can choose between two SLE sessions:

- May 31 – June 6
- June 7 – June 13

Applications for SLE open on February 15, and selections will be made on a rolling basis starting March 15. Completing this application also fulfills the first portion of the application to West Point.

West Point provides scholarships to cover the costs of SLE fees and travel expenses for students who have proven financial need.

Learn more here: [West Point Summer Leader Experience](#)

Apply to SLE: [SLE Application](#)

Opportunity 2: Summer STEM Workshops

For students in 6th through 9th grade, West Point will host its annual Summer STEM Workshops. During these workshops, students will explore the Academy grounds, experience cadet life, and participate in a variety of hands-on STEM activities. Workshop topics include human physiology, fuel cell cars, propellants, robotics, cantilevers, soldering circuits, fish biodiversity, water chemistry, meteorology, egg drop engineering, data analytics, and more.

The workshops are scheduled as follows:

- June 2–6 for 6th-7th graders
- June 9–13 for 8th-9th graders

Applications for Summer STEM are open now through February 28, 2025.

For more information, visit the Center for Leader Development in STEM (CLDSTEM) website:

[Center for Leader Development in STEM | United States Military Academy West Point](#)

Apply to Summer STEM: [Summer STEM Workshop Application](#)

Best,

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Simply scan this QR code to learn more about the West Point Summer Leaders Experience (SLE) and to complete the online application. After completing the online application, you'll be directed the complete the SLE Checklist.

The Summer Leaders Experience is a week-long immersion into the culture of West Point and it provides you with a glimpse into cadet life so you can "try on" the U.S. Military Academy to see how well we fit together for your best future.

SESSION I: May 31 - June 6, 2025

SESSION II: June 7 - June 13, 2025



Attend academic classes and STEM labs where you will explore hypotheses, perform experiments, and develop critical thinking skills.



Learn the structure and challenges of military training, then experience the excitement of participating in it.



Practice a rigorous fitness regime and enjoy the benefits of group athletic sport.



Study the principles of leadership development and practice its basic tenets in team building exercises.



Make friends with the other high achieving students who are attending SLE and with the current cadets.



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APPLICATION OPENS: FEB 15, 2025 • PRIORITY REVIEW DEADLINE: MARCH 15, 2025 • FINAL DEADLINE: APRIL 15, 2025