# SC INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL

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Welcome to SC International Summer School! At SCISS, we provide a unique blend of cutting-edge academic curriculum, various sports, inspiring seminars and exciting activities. Our goal is to create an enriching and memorable summer experience for students from around the world.

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Beth Moriarty Head Master

# Welcome to Springfield Commonwealth International Summer School (SCISS)!

We are delighted to extend our warmest greetings to you as you embark on this exciting journey with us. As you prepare to join us for an amazing three weeks, we want to assure you that you are about to embark on an enriching and memorable experience. At Springfield Commonwealth International Summer School, our mission is to foster a dynamic learning environment where curiosity thrives, friendships flourish, and personal growth is nurtured. Whether you're joining us to explore new subjects, enhance your skills, or simply make the most of your summer break, we have crafted a program that we believe will exceed your expectations.

Throughout your time with us, you will have the opportunity to engage with passionate instructors who are experts in their fields, participate in hands-on activities that bring learning to life, and connect with peers from diverse backgrounds who share your enthusiasm for knowledge and discovery.

In addition to our academic curriculum, we have curated a range of extracurricular activities designed to complement your learning experience and ensure that your time with us is both fulfilling and enjoyable. From outdoor adventures to creative workshops, there will be something for everyone to enjoy.

As you prepare for your arrival, please take some time to review the enclosed materials, including your schedule, packing list, and any additional information you may need to make the most of your time with us. Should you have any questions or require further assistance, please do not hesitate to reach out to our team. We are here to support you every step of the way.

Once again, welcome to Springfield Commonwealth International Summer School. We are thrilled to have you join us, and we look forward to helping you make the most of your summer!



## SESSION 1:

June 29 (Sun) - July 18 (Fri) Classes Start on June 30

## **SESSION 2:**

July 20 (Sun) - August 8 (Fri) Classes Start on July 21

# **PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

## **Daily Schedule and Courses**

Each weekday morning, students participate in academic classes of their choice.

## Morning Academic Courses Offered:

- Path to Wall St. & Impact Investment (8th+ grade, Session 1 ONLY)
- Artificial Intelligence (Pre-Calc+, Session 1 ONLY)
- Youth Innovation and Entrepreneurship (6th+ grade, Session 2 ONLY)
- Public Speaking and Debate (4th+ grade, Session 2 ONLY)
- English and Creative Writing (Beginner to Intensive, 4th+ grade)
- SAT/ACT/TOEFL Test Preparation (9-12th grade)
- Visual/Creative Art (All Ages)

## **Elective Sports**

In the afternoon, students choose elective sports to focus on:

- Rowing
- Basketball
- Golf
- Fencing
- Soccer
  Site and Training
- Fitness Training
- Archery
- Hip-hop Dancing

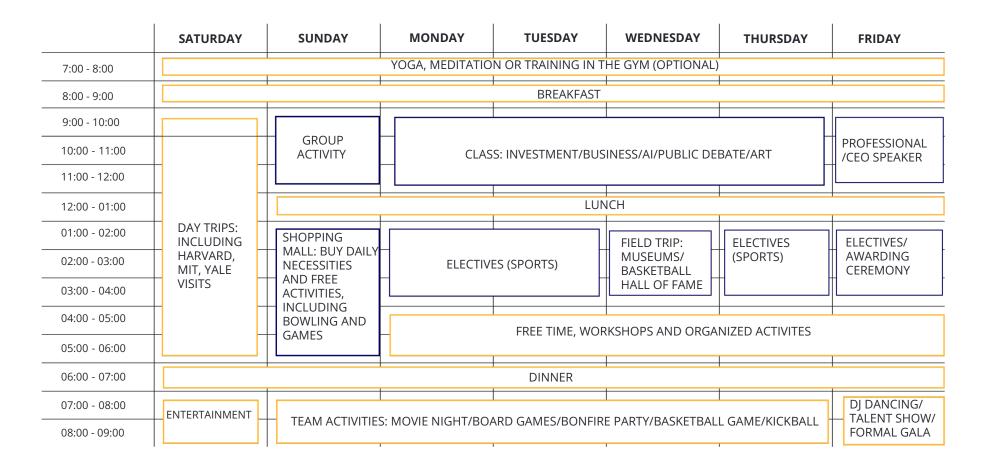
## **Field Trips**

Each Wednesday and weekend, students participate in engaging field trips to various destinations, combining learning with fun outside the classroom, including

- Boston trip (Harvard and MIT Visit)
- Yale University Visit
- Wood Museum of Springfield History
- Dr. Seuss National Memorial Sculpture Garden
- Michele and Donald D'Amour Museum of Fine Arts
- George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum
- Smith College Museum of Art
- Springfield Armory National Historic Site
- Basketball Hall of Fame



# **YOUR WEEKLY SCHEDULE**





Every student at SCISS will relish a distinctive experience customized to match their interests and talents. However, this chart provides a glimpse into what lies ahead.

# WHAT'S INCLUDED

Our inclusive award-winning summer program is designed for students from all nationalities and backgrounds aged between 8 and 18.

All tuition, activities, entertainment and meals including off-campus excursions are part of the package, although a few activities – such as access to golf courses for advanced students – may be subject to availability and additional payment.

To reserve your spot, please contact us: Office: (413) 345-6116 Mobile: (929) 928-1085 Email: info@springfieldca.org WhatsApp: (929) 928-1085 WeChat: SC-Academy





## WhatsApp

#### Fees include:

- Historic multi-unit accommodation (2-4 per room)
- 24-hour supervision and care
- 3 meals per day
- Up to 40 hours of academic tuition
- Up to 40 hours of elective Sports/Training
- All course materials
- All evening and weekend games and activities All
- Excursions and special workshops
- Course completion certificate
- Welcome Pack including SCISS t-shirt
- Awards ceremony
- Formal graduation party
- An unforgettable USA summer school experience!



# SC International Summer School

Partner with VisWise Academy Host By Springfield Commonwealth Academy

Program Location: Springfield Campus, Massachusetts

# \$7499

Session 1 (3 weeks): June 29 (Sun) - July 18 (Fri)

> \$7499 Session 2(3 weeks):

July 20 (Sun) - August 8 (Fri)

# Early Bird Discount: \$6950

## Deadline: April 1st, 2025

Group/Multiple Session Discount are available, please contact us

Airport Pick-up Service: Two-way airport transfers cost \$500 for New York, \$350 for Boston, and \$200 for Bradley, while one-way transfers cost \$300, \$200, and \$100 respectively.

# COURSES

# Path to Wall Street & Impact Investment

This intensive 3-week course equips students with foundational knowledge in investment strategies, stock markets, finance, economics, accounting, and sustainable investment. The program culminates in a team-based final competition, where students will present their projects on the last day of the camp.

- Lectures by investment experts from Wall Street
  and Company CEOs
- Students win top 10 and top 15 from most prestigious global high school investment competition every year
- Students have opportunities to win various prizes based on their performance
- Many of our Investment Class Alumni received Offers from Ivy League such as Stanford, Yale, Wharton, Columbia, NYU ...
- Many of College summer Interns received job offer from banks and Investment companies





Raymond Instructor Private equity manager with Tati NY, Inc Former Portfolio Manager at Spirit of America investment Funds



Frank Instructor Wharton Alumnus Founder of Ancilla Capital Advisors of Alternative Investment CEO of Atrata Inc



Sophia Shi Advisor

CEO of Ivy Compass Managing Partner of StoneBridge Consulting Company 30+ years of Leadership & management experience



Satya Advisor Founder & CEO of Global Alliance Former UN Assistant Secretary General



Jonathan Instructor

Alumnus of NYU and Johns Hopkins Founder of YEFA Al Innovation Former Wall Street Expert



Angelene Huang

Advisor Alumnus of Yale Founder and CEO of Alliance for Impact Former Wall Street Expert



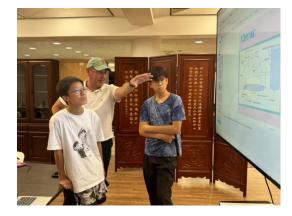
# Youth Innovation and Entrepreneurship (Teen Start-up)

Focused on innovation and entrepreneurship, this course will be taught by multiple industry experts and CEOs, guiding students through the design thinking process to identify problems, define solutions, and create a startup business plan from scratch. The 3-week, CEO-led program fosters skill development in teamwork, innovation, creativity, communication, and sustainability.

Students will be able to:

- Apply the design thinking process to solve real-world problems
- · Collaborate effectively in diverse teams to develop innovative ideas
- Create a business plan
- Pitch their startup to potential investors
- Public speaking Build confidence and improve articulation
- Deliver speeches effectively
- Engage with an audience
- Overcome public speaking anxiety
- · Study environmental science and sustainability
- Understand environmental issues
- Explore ESG (Environmental, Social, and Governance) practices
- Develop sustainability projects

This program is designed for 6th-grade students and above who have an interest in business and entrepreneurship.









# **Artificial Intelligence**

The Coding and AI program introduces students to computer programming and artificial intelligence. Through hands-on projects, they will learn to code in languages like Python or JavaScript and explore AI concepts such as machine learning and neural networks. The course enhances problem-solving skills and logical thinking, enabling students to develop coding projects and basic AI applications while understanding AI's ethical implications.

## This class is designed and instructed by Heads and core professors of Computer Science Department from top universities.

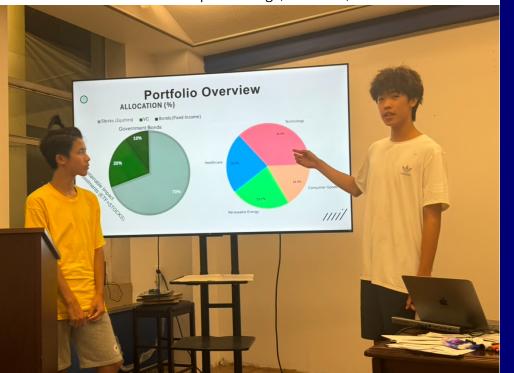
- Introduction to Artificial Intelligence
- Setting Up Python and Writing Simple Code
- Implementing Loops in AI Algorithms
- Decision-Making with If-Conditions
- Understanding Data in Al
- Develop Simple Logistic Regression Classifier
- Al in Natural Language Processing (NLP)
- Al in Decision Trees and Predictions

- Utilizing Loops and Logic in Al Games
- Al in Visual Recognition
- Exploring AI Tools
- Ethical Considerations in AI
  - Initiating an AI Project (Proposal Phase)
  - Developing an Al Project
  - Testing and Debugging
  - Project Showcase and Wrap-Up



## Deano Pape

Curriculum Director, Harvard Summer Debate Workshops Competition Specialist & Tabroom Administrator, National Speech & Debate Association (NSDA) Over 25 years of experience coaching and teaching in speech, debate, and communication skills development. Assistant Director of Speech & Debate, Co-Director of Ethics Bowl Instructor at Simpson College, Indianola, Iowa.



# Public Speaking and Debate

The Public Speaking and Debate course is designed to develop students' abilities to articulate their ideas clearly and persuasively in a variety of settings. Through structured practice and constructive feedback, students will learn the fundamentals of effective communication, from crafting compelling speeches to engaging in rigorous debates.

#### **Benefits**:

- Professional Value: Essential for careers in advocacy, marketing, public relations, management, and leadership.
   Effective communication can significantly enhance professional success and opportunities.
- Confidence & Critical Thinking: Boosts self-assurance, enabling students to speak assertively in various scenarios, and sharpens analytical skills crucial for evaluating information and forming sound arguments.
- Academic Advantage: Equips students with skills necessary for excelling in academic presentations, dissertations, and class discussions, fostering a deeper engagement with course material.
- Negotiation & Mediation: Prepares students for roles requiring negotiation, mediation, and idea presentation, where persuasion and clarity are key to achieving desired outcomes.
- Personal Growth: Encourages personal development by improving interpersonal skills, self-expression, and the ability to articulate thoughts and emotions effectively.



# Language Programs

Our comprehensive language programs provide courses in standard test-oriented English, catering to all proficiency levels from beginners to advanced learners. These programs are designed to enhance students' language skills through immersive activities, interactive exercises, and cultural exploration. Each course focuses on developing proficiency in reading, writing, listening, and speaking, ensuring a well-rounded language education tailored to each student's needs.

Level Assessment: At the start of the program, students' proficiency levels are assessed using the IXL learning system, which provides a detailed analysis of their strengths and areas for improvement. This ensures that every student is placed in the most suitable course to maximize their progress.

- Beginners will build foundational skills, including reading, writing, and speaking. Our pure English environment would help beginnerlevel students to develop daily communication skill.
- Intermediate-level students focus on building fluency and strengthening their grammar, vocabulary, and comprehension skills through ESL system's personalized practice modules. Interactive exercises target key language skills, while immersive group discussions and real-world communication scenarios boost confidence.
- Intensive learners will focus on standard test, including TOEFL, IELTS, AP English, SAT and ACT test preparation. Our English program will focus on mock tests, preparing the advanced students to succeed in standardized test and eventually in college application.

### **Benefits:**

- Cultural Competence: Gain insight into the cultures associated with the languages, enhancing global awareness and sensitivity.
- Professional Edge: Language proficiency is a valuable asset in today's globalized job market, opening up opportunities in various fields such as business, education, travel, and diplomacy.
- Cognitive Benefits: Learning a new language improves memory, problem-solving skills, and cognitive flexibility.

# **Visual Art**

Art classes that develop creativity and technical skills in various visual media. **The visual art class is instructed by local seasoned artists.** Beginners will focus on foundational skills like sketching, shading, and perspective, while advanced students will receive guidance on creating a polished portfolio tailored for college applications.

## Highlights:

- Encourages artistic expression
- Develops fine motor skills
- Enhances creativity
- Held in outdoor settings



# ELECTIVES







# Sports

- Rowing Basketball
- Golf
- Fencing
- Soccer
- Archery

# Highlights:

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- Develops Athletic Skills Encourages Teamwork Enhances Strategic Thinking •

# Hip-hop Dancing and Fitness Training

Focused on physical coordination, building strength, endurance, and overall health through various exercises.

## Highlights:

- Improves physical health
- Boosts energy and endurance
- Promotes healthy habits







# ACTIVITIES

# **Friday Night Activities**

Every Friday night, students will participate in different social activities, including Talent Show, DJ live house dancing, and Camp Formal GALA.

## Highlights:

- Improves Social Skills
- Making Friends
- Enjoy, Relax, and have Fun!





## **ACTIVITIES AND SOCIAL EVENTS AT SCISS**

A detailed look at the various activities and social events designed to create an engaging and memorable camp experience for all students.

#### Social Events

- Evening Activities: Each evening, students can participate in a variety of fun and engaging activities. Whether it's movie nights under the stars, competitive game nights, or talent shows, there's always something exciting happening.
- Weekend Activities: Weekends at SCISS are packed with special events and themed parties that bring everyone together. From cultural nights where students showcase their heritage to festive celebrations and creative workshops, weekends are designed to foster a sense of community and belonging.
- Themed Parties: Our themed parties are a highlight of the summer. ٠ Students dress up, dance, and enjoy the vibrant atmosphere. Themes vary each week, ensuring there's always something new to look forward to.
- Talent Shows: Talent shows offer students a chance to shine. Whether it's singing, dancing, magic tricks, or other unique talents, students can showcase their skills and cheer on their friends.
- Games and Competitions: Friendly competitions and games are a great way to bond and build teamwork skills. Activities like scavenger hunts, trivia nights, and sports tournaments keep the spirit of fun and camaraderie alive.

## Sports and Activities:

- Hiking
- Softball
- Ultimate Frisbee .
- Yoga
- Dodgeball .
- Soccer
- Badminton

- Volleyball
- Baseball
- Basketball
- Drone Flying
- Table Tennis Arts and Crafts
- Cookery

- Fencing
- Gardening
- **Rock Climbing**
- Archery
- Golf
- Swimming
- and more

## WORKSHOPS, TEAM, AND **ORGANIZED ACTIVITIES**

A comprehensive overview of the diverse workshops, team-building activities, and organized events at SCISS, designed to enrich students' summer experience through learning, creativity, and communitybuilding.

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#### Workshops

- Leadership: Decision-making, problem-solving, communication
- Creative: Art, music, writing
- Skill Development: Public speaking, coding, study techniques **Team-Building**
- Outdoor Challenges: Teamwork and resilience
- Group Projects: Collaborative tasks •
- Sports and Games: Team sports, competition

#### **Organized Activities**

- Themed Events: Fun themes
- Cultural Nights: Cultural exchange •
- Evening Programs: Movies, campfires, socializing





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# **Field Trips**

At SCISS, we offer a range of exciting excursions designed to provide students with unique experiences and valuable learning opportunities. Our trips to Boston, New York, and Yale combine educational insights, cultural exposure, and fun activities, ensuring a well-rounded and memorable experience for all participants.

### Boston Trip (Harvard & MIT, Full Day)

A visit to Boston combined with a tour of Harvard University and MIT offers students a unique opportunity to explore one of America's most historic and culturally rich cities while experiencing the prestigious academic environment of two of the world's leading universities.

### Yale Trip (Half Day)

A half-day excursion to Yale University offers students a glimpse into the life and environment of one of America's most prestigious academic institutions.

### Six Flag Amusement Park (Full day)

Enjoy a full day of excitement at Six Flags Amusement Park, filled with thrilling rides, attractions, and unforgettable fun for students to unwind and bond with their peers.

## Other Historical Sites and Museums:

- Wood Museum of Springfield History
- Dr. Seuss National Memorial Sculpture Garden
- Michele and Donald D'Amour Museum of Fine Arts
- George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum
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# Springfield: The Birthplace of Basketball Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame

Springfield, known as the birthplace of basketball, holds a special place in the history of the sport. As a school located in this historic city, SCA takes immense pride in our basketball team, which embodies the spirit and legacy of the game. Our team not only represents our school but also carries forward the rich tradition of excellence that began right here in Springfield, the home of basketball.

# **SCA Basketball Team**



#### 2016-2019

New England Regional Power 5 AAA League Champion

#### 2018-2019

Fifth in the nation in the Private School Basketball League

#### 2019-2020

New England Power 5 AAA League No. 2 Men's Basketball:

## 2016-2018

New England Region Power 5 AAA League 5th

#### 2019-2020

New England Regional Power 5 AAA League Champion

#### 2019-2020

Private School Basketball Tournament ranked eighth in the nation Springfield is home to the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame, which celebrates the legacy of the sport and honors its greatest players, coaches, referees, and contributors.

Visitors can explore interactive exhibits, historical memorabilia, and engaging displays that showcase the evolution of basketball from its invention by Dr. James Naismith in 1891 to the global phenomenon it is today. With its iconic basketballshaped dome, the Hall of Fame offers an inspiring experience that pays tribute to the sport's rich history and its impact on culture and society.



# Competition Resources

National Economics Challenge (NEC) Harvard/Pre-Collegiate Economics Challenge (HPEC) Harvard International Economics Essay Contest (HIEEC) Northwestern Economics Tournament (NET) FBLA Economics Berkeley Economic Review High School Essay Contest Harvard International Review (HIR) Academic Writing Contest John Locke Essay Competition LSESU Economics Society Economics Essay Competition The Economic Club of Grand Rapids Annual Essay Contest

#### FINANCE

Wharton Global High School Investment Competition National Personal Finance Challenge Global Stock Pitch Competition Stevens Trading Day University of Texas at Dallas Top Trader Competition

#### ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Conrad Challenge Diamond Challenge Blue Ocean Entrepreneurship Competition World Series of Innovation (WSI) High School Business Plan Competition (HSBPC) FBLA Business Plan BizWorld YES! Program High School Utah Entrepreneur Challenge Big Idea Competition Innovate UNG

#### ACADEMICS

National Merit Scholar Georgia Certificate of Merit AP Scholar with Distinction

#### OTHER

Gold Presidential Volunteer Award Forsyth County Social Studies Fair Georgia Social Studies Fair Northwest Georgia History Day National History Day





Pictured above: Our students, the Champion team of The Global High School Innovation and Business Competition 2023.



The Championship Winners of The Global High School Investment Competition of 2022.

# **Credit Recovery**



The Credit Recovery Program at SCA provides personalized support to help students recover credits, boost their confidence, and ensure academic success.

### **Program Overview**

- Purpose: Helps students catch up on missed credits and stay on track for graduation.
- Subjects Covered: Core subjects like Math, Science, English, and History.
- Flexible Learning: Tailored to individual student needs with one-on-one tutoring and small group classes.

### **Key Features**

- Personalized Plans: Customized study plans to address specific academic gaps.
- Experienced Tutors: Qualified instructors dedicated to student success.
- Supportive Environment: Encourages a positive attitude towards learning and improvement.

### Benefits

- Academic Success: Ensures students meet graduation requirements.
- Confidence Boost: Helps build academic confidence and skills.
- Future Preparedness: Prepares students for future educational endeavors.

### **School Accreditation:**

National Honor Society (NHS) National National Junior Honor Society (NJSHS) New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC)



# Additional Learning Opportunities



## **SC Academy**

We offer a dynamic learning environment that emphasizes academic excellence, personal growth, and future readiness. Students can benefit from enrichment courses, Advanced Placement (AP) classes, study abroad programs, and internships.

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## **Global Online School**

Experience flexible, high-quality education from anywhere with our robust remote learning platform. Join our global community to gain diverse, international perspectives through our Global School programs, connecting students worldwide.

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