

# SUMMER ENRICHMENT



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# TYPES OF SUMMER ENRICHMENT

- Summer program on a college campus as they begin to think about the college search process
- Service-oriented activities – Mary Fink
- A program that involves traveling
- Explore a potential college major or career – U of M, Concordia Language Village, etc.



# BENEFITS OF DOING SUMMER ENRICHMENT

- Learning from a new experience and positive role models
- Develop self-reliance and independence
- Meet people from different backgrounds-extension of college
- Develop social skills
- Chance to explore new academic topics and fields of study
- Experience life on a college campus
- Avoid the “summer slide”
- Preparation for college and career



# DOWNSIDE TO SUMMER ENRICHMENT

- They can be very expensive
- Not all students enjoy being away from home...at this time of their life
- Students need a break...they can become physically and emotionally exhausted
- Do your research...might sound better than reality
- Not a guarantee for success in applications/admissions



# CONSIDERATIONS FOR SUMMER ENRICHMENT

- Is your student willing and engaged?
- Reputation of the program (how long has it been around, etc.)
- Health care needs and accommodations
- Accessibility of staff and coordinators





# WHERE TO FIND SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES

[SUMMER EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS](#)

[NAVIANCE](#)

[2019 EHS SUMMER OPPORTUNITY FAIR](#)

[EHS WEBSITE-STUDENT SERVICES\(COUNSELING\)](#)

# IN CONCLUSION



- **Students** are encouraged to take time to think about the types of experiences that would be valuable for them. In general, summer enrichment programs and opportunities tend to be the most beneficial when students have taken the time to consider the types of experiences that would be meaningful and enjoyable for them.

# QUESTIONS?

