



Braille Immersion Summer Camp

June 14-18, 2010

Ohio State School for the Blind

5220 North High Street

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Summer 2010

Learning Through Active Involvement

PURPOSE

The Ohio State School for the Blind is offering a one week camp for students from schools throughout the state of Ohio, who are blind or visually impaired **in grades three through seven (ages 8 through 13)** who need to improve their Braille skills.

The Summer Braille Immersion Program, which will be offered from June 14 through June 18, 2010, will provide an introduction to the importance of Braille literacy, Braille assessments, and experiences to develop and improve Braille skills.

This camp is designed for students who currently use Braille as a means for written communication and for accessing information and are involved in the Ohio Achievement Tests. Students will work to improve and enhance existing Braille skills through educational and fun science activities that are based on the Ohio Academic Content Standards.

ACTIVITIES

Activities that the students will be engaged in during this camp will include instruction in Braille usage, science, letter writing, storytelling, and journal writing skills. Students will also be given Braille assessments to identify and establish Braille proficiency skills. The Summer Braille Immersion Camp will be aligned with Ohio's Academic Standards in the areas of English Language Arts, which include reading, the writing process, and Science.

WHO MAY ATTEND AND HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

Students who are blind or visually impaired **who display independent living skills appropriate to the age (8-13 years, only)**, who show a need to improve Braille skills may attend the camp. Students must live in the state of Ohio. There is no cost to families or school districts.

TRANSPORTATION

Parents must provide transportation for the students to the OSSB campus between 4:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. on the Sunday before the start of the camp—June 13, 2010. They must be transported home on Friday, June 18, 2010 at 1:00 p.m.



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PURPOSE

The Ohio State School for the Blind, is offering a one week camp for students who are blind or visually impaired and who will be entering grades 9 -12 in fall 2010. The goals of this camp will be to:

- Develop assistive and regular technology skills through fun and challenging activities
- Assessment of current technology skills.
- Simulate a camp experience in a safe, fun environment.
- Provide an opportunity for the participants to meet and make friends with peers across the state.

ACTIVITIES

The following technologies will be explored:

- JAWS, ZoomText
- Braille note
- Victor Reader
- CCTVs
- Microsoft Office applications
- Podcasts
- Bookshare and Web Braille

WHO MAY ATTEND and WHAT IS THE COST?

Ohio students who are blind or visually impaired, in the 9th through 12th grades, and who demonstrate independent living skills appropriate to their age, may attend the Technology Camp. Students must live in the state of Ohio. There is no cost to families or school districts.

Prerequisite Skills

Participants must know the keyboard, have basic knowledge of Microsoft Word and the Internet, and if applicable, a working knowledge of JAWS. If students have their own notetaker, they should bring it with them.

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