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**SUMMER IS AN ADVENTURE AT GLENFOREST SCHOOL!!
ANNOUNCING 2011 SUMMER CAMP PROGRAM LINE-UP FOR KIDS WHO LEARN DIFFERENTLY**

WEST COLUMBIA, S.C.- This summer, **Glenforest School** promises a great vacation experience for students of all ages and abilities thanks to the new 2011 Summer Camp Schedule. This year's camp line-up is chockfull of fun, engaging education-driven programs that kids (*and their parents!*) will love.

Glenforest School is pleased to offer over 10 different summer camps for families to chose from, with a wide assortment of programs covering a huge variety of topics and themes- including social skills instruction, life skills activities, robotics, science, art, drama, music and nature- these camps offer "something for everyone" and will engage and appeal to kids with wide-ranging learning needs and fields of interest all summer long! Glenforest School's summer programs are specifically designed to accommodate students who learn differently and thos with unique learning needs (such as Asperger's/Autism Spectrum Disorders, ADD/ADHD, Dyslexia, Dysgraphia and other LDs) as well as students who learn "traditionally," and incorporate many of the school's core values and beliefs such as "the integration of technology, enthusiasm for change, and discovery of self." Please note: and you don't have to be a Glenforest student to attend and enjoy our camps- the Glenforest community greatly looks forward to meeting new friends and seeing lots of new faces this summer!

For more information, to download individual camp flyers or to register online please visit glenforest.org/summercamps or call **803.796 7622(ext.222)** or email camp@glenforest.org with questions, flyer and registration form requests. Pre-registration is required for all camps.

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SUMMER SCHEDULE 2011: CAMP DETAILS AND DESCRIPTIONS

1. Camp "Skillz" - Teaching Social Skills & Life Skills to Kool Kids

Overview: Camp "Skillz" is an inclusive day camp for students, ages 5 to 16, seeking social skills and social interaction skills development. "Skillz" is ideal for kids with Autism Spectrum disorders or other unique learning needs, including Asperger's, ADHD/ADD, dyslexia and other LDs. "Skillz" provides a variety of fun, practical ways for students who are challenged by social skills to enjoy experiencing independence, group interaction and increased self-esteem. It provides direct social skills instruction for real-life social situations within a safe and secure environment. The program takes place on Mondays and Wednesdays all summer long and features a variety of off-site field trips and diverse assortment of activities focused on improving social skills and having plenty of fun!

When? June 13 – August 1 / 9am – 1pm / (*Mondays & Wednesdays only*)

Where? Glenforest School, 1041 Harbor Drive, West Columbia, SC

Who? Students ages 5 – 16

Ideal for kids with Autism Spectrum disorders and with various other unique learning needs

Cost? \$250.00* (for all 8-weeks) *Scholarships available upon accepted application

Questions? Call 803 796 7622 or email camp@glenforest.org or visit glenforest.org

2. Lango Cultural Camp@ Glenforest School

Overview: Lango's new Cultural Camp at Glenforest School is an exciting, entertaining, education-driven culture and language camp directed by Guillermo Ramis that provides campers an exciting introduction to foreign cultures from around the globe! Different from Lango's usual language immersion camps (which focus on one language), cultural camp delivers a broad view of diverse world languages and traditions

through inspiring activities, music, games, art, cooking and language classes and so much more! The activities and countries follow a rotating schedule- one day campers have a class on French songs, a typical Mexican snack, and a Mandarin Lango class, while the next day the language class may be in Spanish, the music in Mandarin, and the snack in French! Cultural Camp's goal is to help create interest in, awareness of, and appreciation for global diversity by exposing kids to a variety of cultures in new and interesting ways- served with a large helping of fun!

When? June 20 – July 1 / 9am – 3pm / (before & after-care available)

Where? Glenforest School, 1041 Harbor Drive, West Columbia, SC

Who? Group A: ages 6 -11 / Group B: ages 12- 14

Ideal for kids who learn differently and kids who learn “traditionally”

Cost/s? Group A: \$179 + materials fee / Group B: \$129 + materials fee

Questions? Call 803.796.7622(x.222), email camp@glenforest.org or visit glenforest.org

3. Extreme Weather Camp @ Glenforest School

Overview What do you really want to know about weather? Ever wondered how weather predictions are made? Find out this summer at Glenforest School's Weather Camp – it's going to be *extreme!!* During this weeklong camp kids learn all about numerous aspects of weather, changing weather patterns and even explore extreme weather conditions like tornados and hurricanes. Through hands-on experiences, A/V technologies, and multi-media activities kids will investigate the many ways weather affects us and influences our daily lives. They will also discover the actual processes involved in making weather forecasts and predictions. Finally, at the end of the week, campers will get to test their skills as a meteorologist by making and videoing their own weather forecast with a green screen! And there may even be a surprise guest appearance by a famous local meteorologist (...*shhh...it's a secret!*)

When? July 25 – 29 / 9am – 2pm / (before & after-care available)

Where? Glenforest School - 1041 Harbor Drive, West Columbia, SC

Who? Students in grades K – 8 / for kids who learn differently and kids who learn “traditionally”

Questions? Call 803.796.7622(x.222), email camp@glenforest.org or visit glenforest.org

4. Robotics Camp@ Glenforest School

Overview: Robotics Camp is an exciting, entertaining, education-driven weeklong camp that provides an amazing, fantastical robotic experience that kids (*and their parents*) will love! Students will enjoy building remote controlled robots (*that really work!!*) of their very own. They will also construct mindboggling obstacle courses to amuse the robots and to let them roam around. While delighting in tons of robot fun, campers will exercise and develop math and science skills through this thrilling new hands-on summer experience.

When? July 18 – 22 / 9am – 2pm / before & after-care available

Where? Glenforest School - 1041 Harbor Drive, West Columbia, SC

Who? Students in grades 6 – 8 / for kids who learn differently and kids who learn “traditionally”

Cost? \$225.00

Questions? Call 803 796 7622 or email camp@glenforest.org or visit glenforest.org

5. ArtShack Art-Fun-Camps@ Glenforest School

Overview: This summer, **ArtShack Studios** in partnership with Glenforest School presents 4-weeks of artistically entertaining and amazing summer-art-fun! Artist, illustrator and Glenforest art instructor- Paula Bowers will engage and enthrall creative kids of all ages all summer long! All art supplies are included during each weeklong session. Each week explores a new artful theme and features a whole host of inspired activities that will help campers develop and expand their artistic talents. Art-Fun-Camps are conveniently divided into 4 individual weeklong sessions featuring an amazing assortment of activities including fabric printing, tie-dye, silkscreen, ceramic sculpture, acrylic painting, pottery and much more! Campers can enroll for single or multiple weekly sessions of their choosing. (*Week 1: June 13-17: Fabric Frenzy; Week 2: June 20-24: Paris Craft Creatures; Week 3: July 18-24: FUN-damentals of Drawing; Week 4: July 25-29: Acrylic Painting for Beginners*)

When? June 13 – July 29 / 9am – 12pm / before and after-care available

Where? Glenforest School - 1041 Harbor Drive, West Columbia, SC

Who? Students grades K - 12 (*some restrictions apply*)/ for kids who learn differently and kids who learn “traditionally”

Cost? \$185 (per weekly session)

Questions? Call 803.796.7622(x.222), email camp@glenforest.org or visit glenforest.org

6. Camp Island Adventure @ Glenforest School

Overview At Camp Island Adventure campers receive the opportunity of a lifetime – creating a tropical paradise that they can call their own! Students will discover just “what it takes” to establish, build, own, operate and expand the dream island that they have envisioned. At the same time they will exercise their knowledge of geography and social sciences, and develop computer skills and social skills through fun hands-on activities all focused on “growing” their island societies, such as promoting it to tourists, selling real-estate, attracting investors and developers, creating pamphlets and flyers, inventing a national anthem and creating their island laws.

When? July 11 – 15 / 9am – 2pm / (before & after-care available)

Where? Glenforest School - 1041 Harbor Drive, West Columbia, SC

Who? Students in grades 6 – 8/ for kids who learn differently and kids who learn “traditionally”

Cost? \$225.00

Questions? Call 803.796.7622(x.222), email camp@glenforest.org or visit glenforest.org

7. Camp Musical Masterpieces @ Glenforest School

Overview: Camp Musical Masterpieces is designed for elementary-age students of all levels and musical backgrounds, to help them discover the joy of music through amazing hands-on activities. Kids will have fun by the score developing their talents while exploring musical instruments, cultures, styles and sounds from all around the globe. During this fun-filled week, while studying music from every angle, campers will each handcraft an instrument of their own (*that really work and they can play!*) Campers will also learn a musical number using their marvelous melodic creations that they will perform for family and friends at the camp’s finale.

When? July 13 – 17 / 9am – 2pm / Before and after-care available

Where? Glenforest School- 1041 Harbor Drive, West Columbia, SC

Who? Grades 1 – 6/ for kids who learn differently and kids who learn “traditionally”

Cost? \$225.00

Questions? Call 803.796.7622(x.222), email camp@glenforest.org or visit glenforest.org

8. “Coyote Steals the Summer” – Center Stage & Glenforest School Drama Camp

Overview This section of Center Stage Drama Camp at Glenforest School is designed especially for K-2 students. Lead by Center Stage Director and Glenforest Drama Teacher Susan Scaccia, campers will work together to create their own performance of the musical, “Coyote Steals the Summer.” This play tells the story of the legend of how Coyote brings summer to the world and earns his famous gift of trickery as a reward. While rehearsing scenes and songs and designing sets and costumes for the production, campers will have opportunities to enhance purposeful listening, characterization, cooperative learning and other important acting and social skills, and on the last day of camp will present a fully staged version of the play to family and friends!

When? June 20 – July 1/ **Session A:** 9:00am - 11:30am / **Session B:** 12:30pm - 3:00pm

Before and after-care available upon request

Where? Glenforest School - 1041 Harbor Drive, West Columbia, SC

Who? Students in grades K - 2 / for kids who learn differently and kids who learn “traditionally”

Cost? \$150 (per session)

Questions? Call 803.796.7622(x.222), email camp@glenforest.org or visit glenforest.org

9. “A Year With Frog & Toad” - Center Stage & Glenforest School Drama Camp

Overview: This section of Center Stage at Glenforst Drama Camp is designed especially for students in grades 3-6. Lead by Center Stage Director and Glenforest Drama Teacher Susan Scaccia, campers will

work together to create a fully staged, musical version of Arnold Lobel's well-loved story, "A Year with Frog and Toad." While rehearsing scenes and songs and designing sets and costumes for the production, campers will have opportunities to enhance purposeful listening, characterization, cooperative learning and other important acting and social skills, and on the last day of camp will present a fully staged version of the play to family and friends!

When? July 5 – July 15 / **Session A:** 9:00am - 11:30am / **Session B:** 12:30pm - 3:00pm

Before and after-care available upon request

Where? Glenforest School - 1041 Harbor Drive, West Columbia, SC

Who? Students in grades 3 - 6 / for kids who learn differently and kids who learn "traditionally"

Cost? \$150 (per session)

Questions? Call 803.796.7622(x.222), email camp@glenforest.org or visit glenforest.org

10. "Fables and Folktales" Center Stage & Glenforest School Drama Camp

Overview This section of Center Stage at Glenforest Drama Camp is designed especially for students in Middle and High School. Lead by Center Stage Director and Glenforest Drama Teacher Susan Scaccia, campers will work together creating a fully staged production of Fables and Folk Tales. Students will choose scripts, rehearse, and design scenery, costumes and props. They will work together to transform the school theatre classroom into a fully functional studio theatre where they will hold a performance for family, friends and the public on the last day of camp!

When? July 18 – 29 / 9am – 3pm/ Before and after-care available upon request

Where? Glenforest School - 1041 Harbor Drive, West Columbia, SC

Who? Students in grades 7 - 12 / for kids who learn differently and kids who learn "traditionally"

Cost? \$300 (for 2-week camp)

Questions? Call 803.796.7622(x.222), email camp@glenforest.org or visit glenforest.org

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About Glenforest School:

Glenforest School is a K-12 nonprofit 501c(3) day school dedicated to educating and supporting amazing students with learning differences (or disabilities) in our community. We currently work with students of average to genius level IQ, with a wide range of learning needs including dyslexia, dyscalculia, ADD/ADHD/ Asperger's Syndrome, Central Auditory Processing Disorders, Autism Spectrum Disorders and others. Since 1983, Glenforest has been committed to assisting local families meet the learning needs of their child. Catering to the needs of our students is the foundation of our mission, basis of our curriculum and our daily concern. Glenforest School is the only school in the Columbia area that accommodates students with a full spectrum of learning differences, learning styles and levels of intelligence. Glenforest relies on the support of individuals, businesses, organizations and families, in the community and generosity of donors, contributors and volunteers that help sustain the school and its mission to ensure that all students receive the education and academic experience that all children deserve. For more information, call 803-796-7622 or visit glenforest.org.

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