The UAB Children's Creative Learning Center  
in partnership with  
The Mountain Brook City School System and Brookwood Forest Elementary School  
Presents the 2016 Summer Enrichment Program:

Rangers U! A College Road Trip

History of the Children's Creative Learning Center:
Dr. Virginia Horns-Marsh was the driving force behind the initiation of the program. After 25 years of work, she asked Dr. Lynn Kirkland to take over the directorship for the next 15 years. One of the faculty members brought to the program because of her knowledge in literacy instruction was Dr. Jennifer Summerlin, who currently serves as director. As a full time faculty member, director of the reading graduate program, and a reading methods course instructor for the Department of Curriculum & Instruction, she continues the rich tradition of the CCLC, rethinking the needs of each site. Master teachers are used in the program, pulling from outstanding teachers in districts all over the area and within the school site. Promoting this networking of teachers helps to strengthen the knowledge and skill base of teachers in all districts. Undergraduate and alternative masters’ students are also given the opportunity to plan and implement instruction under the guidance and supervision of the master teachers. Extensive, targeted professional development is provided to preservice and in-service teachers at all levels.

A Day in the Summer Program:
This enrichment program serves children ages 6-rising 4th grade. The enrichment program seeks to encourage children to work at their own pace while master-level teachers enhance their academic development. Whether it is a science experiment with everyday items or writing and publishing their own newspaper, children discover how exciting learning can be when they are actively engaged in authentic purposes for learning.

SAMPLE SCHEDULE (This is a general overview of the day but schedules may vary depending on the age of the child, and/or the workshop sessions chosen by the child and his/her family.)

Arrival: Students are greeted as soon as they arrive by classroom teachers who are out front assisting with the morning drop-off. They are escorted into the general meeting area where they have an opportunity to socialize with their teacher and classmates. They join their assigned family group which consists of children their own age and the family group leader. The assigned family group is where the child goes for the opening of the day, closing of the day, and for a mid-morning snack break. Every Monday students choose the workshop sessions they will be attending for the week. The family group leader completes the child’s choices on a contract that is placed in a closed card holder that the child wears each day. This helps the children remember their weekly schedule and the location of their workshop for each block. A brief description of the workshop choices offered each week will be provided on the website and in hardcopy the week prior so that you are able to discuss options and offer guidance on the best choices for your child’s age, interests, and areas of expertise.

Opening: At approximately 7:45 a.m. students engage in our opening session which involves singing and lots of movement. Once the opening is finished, students are dismissed to their first period choice.

First Period: From 8:05 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. students begin their first workshop choice. The goal of the CCLC is to meet the individual needs of each and EVERY child, regardless of their ability. All children deserve to be challenged. Literacy skills addressed throughout the summer include but are not limited to the following: reading fluency, reading comprehension, vocabulary development, effective phonics instruction in the context of real reading, letter recognition, concepts of print, strategies for figuring out unknown words, introduction to new genres, strengthening spelling within the context of real writing, generating writing ideas, developing a comprehensive piece of writing, etc... Although the students are choosing the workshop they want to attend, literacy is integrated throughout all workshop choices.

Second Period: From 9:00 a.m. until 9:05 a.m. students travel to their second workshop session. This session lasts from 9:05 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. Just as literacy is a central part of all learning, numeracy skills are addressed...
throughout the summer. Numeracy skills include but are not limited to the following: computational strategies for mathematical accuracy, mathematical fluency, number talks to share mathematical thinking, mathematical problem solving, patterns and algebraic thinking, number and operations, etc...

**SNACK:** From 10:00 until 10:20 a.m. students return to their homeroom teacher for a quick break on the playground and a snack. All snacks will be provided.

**Third Period:** From 10:20 until 10:25 a.m. students travel to their third enrichment session. This session lasts from 10:25 until 11:05 a.m. For a list of potential enrichment sessions, see below.

**Fourth Period:** From 11:05 until 11:10 a.m. students travel to their fourth and final enrichment session of the day. This session lasts from 11:10 until 11:45 a.m. All workshops begin on Monday and end on Friday of each week. At the end of fourth period, students are dismissed to their homeroom/family groups to prepare for carpool.

Carpool will begin at approximately 11:50. You will be given a paper plate with your child’s name to display in your car. We work hard to efficiently dismiss all students in a timely fashion. Teachers are contracted from 7:30 a.m. until 12 noon so it is imperative that your child be picked up no later than 12 noon each day. Thank you in advance for your help with this matter.

**Enrichment Session Possibilities:**

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**And Many More…**

Enrichment sessions involve a variety of content areas such as art, music, dance, physical science, life science, technology, earth science, sewing, building structures, drama, cooking, and much more. Sessions offered each week will emphasize one school within the university setting.

**Where?**
Brookwood Forest Elementary School
3701 S. Brookwood Road, Birmingham, AL 35223

**Who?**
Students from all school systems will be able to attend the summer program at Brookwood Forest Elementary School.

**When?**
7:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon Monday-Friday

- **Week 1:** June 5th-9th
- **Week 2:** June 12th-16th
- **Week 3:** June 19th-23rd

**Frequently Asked Questions:**

- **What supplies will my child need?** All supplies needed for the summer enrichment program will be provided.
• **How will I know the progress of my child each week they are in the program?** Weekly newsletters are provided to share what students have achieved each week and what to look forward to in the upcoming week.

• **Can I meet the teachers?** Yes, the first week of the program we host an open house on Friday to showcase the learning that has happened that week. You are invited to attend this open house event and meet each teacher that is working with your child. In addition to this open house, we offer regular weekly parent programs to provide an opportunity to share the learning of the students.

• **Does my child have to come all summer?** No, your child does not have to attend all summer. We understand the nature of summer and are quite flexible to meet the needs of you and your busy family.

• **If my child does not attend one week will they feel behind on missed information?** We have worked hard to design a summer program that is a stand-alone type program and based on week-by-week participation. What this means is that students will never feel like they missed information due to being absent a week. Each week is built to stand-alone and emphasize learning concepts chosen for that particular week.

• **If my child attends all summer will they get bored?** No, a child who attends all summer is challenged and never repeats any enrichment session. Another unique feature of the summer enrichment program is that although it provides "stand-alone" weeks, each week builds in complexity to meet the needs of families who wish for their child/children to attend the entire program.

• **Will I receive information before the program begins?** Yes, one week prior to the program starting you will receive a letter and an email with specifics about drop-off, snack, lunch, parent programs, contact information in case of an emergency, check-in, check-out, and other important program details.

• **What makes this summer program the best choice for my child rather than other local summer programs?** The CCLC provides ENRICHMENT and INDIVIDUALIZED instruction that is truly engaging! Master-level teachers from many different school systems come together to share their expertise and promote summer learning. In addition to an integrated approach to literacy and numeracy, your child will engage in activities related to the music, art, dance, drama, science, technology, and social studies.

• **What is the latest time we can arrive?** You may check-in your child at any point. This is summer and we offer a more flexible atmosphere than provided during the typical school day. After your child is checked-in, they will be escorted to their classroom by one of the office staff.

• **What should I expect if I attend a parent program?** Parent programs are held throughout the summer program on Friday’s beginning at 11:15 a.m. until approximately 12 noon. Each family group, or homeroom, will perform to celebrate the learning for that week. The programs are based on weekly themes and provide an opportunity to "Show What We Know!"

• **Will there be a parent program every week?** Yes, there will be three parent programs during the three week summer program. Programs will be on the following dates:
  - **Open House:** Friday, June 9th
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- **Parent Program:** Friday, June 16th
- **Parent Program & Graduation Ceremony:** Friday, June 23rd

- **Will I receive information about the weekly parent programs?** Yes, information about the upcoming parent program will be included on each weekly newsletter as a reminder if you wish to attend.