**Boozhoo/Greetings students, teachers, parents, and community members!**

Chi miigwech (Great thanks) for your interest in the **Reimagine STEM Summer Academy taking place June 18-30**. Remember due to limited spaces in the Academy, just because a student was accepted to NMU does not mean automatic acceptance into this Academy. Please feel free to call us with any questions at 906-227-1397 during business hours (7:30 am - 4 pm, M-F). NMU is in the Eastern Time Zone.

**The COUNTDOWN IS ON! PARENTS -- please return your student's** health forms, consent forms and behavior contracts as soon as possible. Food allergies are important to note as our cultural chef will create the menu for the second week.

Students from Southwest Detroit - contact your school counselor for more information. A NMU graduate student representative will be in your neighborhood between June 8 - June 12 to answer questions about these forms.

Academy students will be working with multiple NMU faculty: Aimee Cree Dunn, Leora Lancaster, Dr. Jud Sojourn, and Dr. Martin Reinhardt from [Native American Studies](https://www.nmu.edu/nativeamericanstudies/); Dr. Jill Leonard and Dr. Erich Ottem from the [Biology department](https://www.nmu.edu/biology/); Dr. Brandon Canfield from the [Chemistry department](http://www.nmu.edu/chemistry/home-page); and Dr. Mitch Klett from the School of Education, Leadership, and Public Service.

We are delighted to be working with colleagues from [Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute](http://rpi.edu/). Dr. Ron Eglash and Dr. Audrey Bennett. Dr. Eglash will lead a workshop on using 3D software to recreate wigwams -- made possible by a NSF STEM+C grant. Dr. Bennett will lead a workshop on the algorithmic structure and geometric patterns of diverse quilting traditions -- made possible by a Google CS4HS grant.

We are happy to be working with Michigan State University Extension (MSUE) on multiple workshops including food/kitchen safety, nutrition, and searching/shopping for food from the [Marquette Farmer's Market](http://mqtfarmersmarket.com/). Research subjects from the [Decolonizing Diet Project](http://decolonizingdietproject.blogspot.com/) will also be discussing their experience and how that ties together with the work from MSUE.

Academy students will also have the honor to be engaged in a number of workshops with the **Reimagine STEM Elders-in-Residence**, Mary and Leonard Moose (Ojibwe) as well as Cultural Knowledge Holders Leon Valliere (Lac du Flambeau Ojibwe), and Greg Johnson (Lac du Flambeau Ojibwe) and multiple representatives from [Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission](http://www.glifwc.org/).

Physical activity helps to boost brain power so students will engage in various fitness activities through the duration of the Academy: Jodi Coolman will facilitate boxing fitness/anti-bullying workshops and Michelle Reed will facilitate N8V Fitness workshops.

IF YOUR STUDENT IS FLYING into Sawyer International Airport (MQT) \*\*PLEASE\*\* share with us their itinerary as soon as possible. The best flying days will be **Saturday, June 17** and **Saturday, July 1** (accommodations will be made with NMU Campus housing and don't worry, we'll have supervision too!).

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS to CAMP NESBIT - for those picking up their student from Camp Nesbit on Friday, June 30.**

[To Camp Nesbit From Crystal Falls, MI](https://www.google.com/maps/dir/Crystal%2BFalls%2C%2BMichigan/Nesbit%2BLake/%4046.2908861%2C-88.8088342%2C10z/am%3Dt/data%3D%214m13%214m12%211m5%211m1%211s0x4d53da0cea216ea5%3A0x84e9cdb5052ee09%212m2%211d-88.3340242%212d46.0980066%211m5%211m1%211s0x4d514c8c5073483d%3A0x1b72e7300a27c42b%212m2%211d-88.6925981%212d46.4168391)

[To Camp Nesbit From Marquette, MI](https://www.google.com/maps/dir/Marquette%2C%2BMI/Nesbit%2BLake/%4046.5006385%2C-88.619349%2C9z/am%3Dt/data%3D%214m13%214m12%211m5%211m1%211s0x4d51df5dc446b685%3A0x91364aad4c5ac71a%212m2%211d-87.3955954%212d46.5475825%211m5%211m1%211s0x4d514c8c5073483d%3A0x1b72e7300a27c42b%212m2%211d-88.6925981%212d46.4168391)

[To Camp Nesbit From Ironwood, MI](https://www.google.com/maps/dir/Ironwood%2C%2BMichigan/Nesbit%2BLake/%4046.5042543%2C-89.9922678%2C9z/am%3Dt/data%3D%214m13%214m12%211m5%211m1%211s0x52a9e84c4f806ed5%3A0x2c576b99fe6cfd83%212m2%211d-90.1710081%212d46.4546698%211m5%211m1%211s0x4d514c8c5073483d%3A0x1b72e7300a27c42b%212m2%211d-88.6925981%212d46.4168391)

[To Camp Nesbit From Watersmeet, MI](https://www.google.com/maps/dir/Watersmeet%2C%2BMichigan/Nesbit%2BLake/%4046.3335546%2C-89.0788272%2C11z/am%3Dt/data%3D%214m13%214m12%211m5%211m1%211s0x4d5683e09a92879f%3A0x496b80ca4f78fe6b%212m2%211d-89.1783221%212d46.2679475%211m5%211m1%211s0x4d514c8c5073483d%3A0x1b72e7300a27c42b%212m2%211d-88.6925981%212d46.4168391)

If you want directions from another locale, Google “Nesbit Organizational Camp” as the destination from your desired location.

**Questions about the Reimagine STEM Summer Youth Academy -** [**email April Lindala**](https://www.nmu.edu/nativeamericanstudies/contact-us) **or call 906-227-1397 during business hours.**