



# What do we do in the Bridge Program?

The Bridge Program in Math and Science is a busy three-week enrichment experience for energetic, highly motivated students. Applicants should expect to spend several hours a day in class, lab, and study hall. A typical daily schedule, Monday through Friday, is:

8:00 A.M.  
BREAKFAST

8:30 – 9:45 A.M.  
One class in either calculus or science. In 2006, the science was physics: chaos and fractals.

10:00 – 11:15 A.M.  
Second class of the day alternates from first class (i.e. if math was at 8:30 a.m., science is at 10:00 a.m.).

LUNCH

12:30 – 2:00 P.M.  
Science or math lab (*rotates daily*)

AFTERNOON  
*See below*

DINNER

7:00 – 9:00 P.M.  
Study hall  
(Sunday through Thursday nights)

10:00 P.M.  
Dorm check-in

11:30 P.M.  
Students in their own rooms, quiet.

There are exceptions to the above schedule of course. On the Fourth of July, we may have morning classes and then we participate in the community-wide celebration in the afternoon and evening. Yes, Sewanee has a Fourth of July Parade, and we are in it!

After lab at least one afternoon per week we have activities for the whole program. In 2007 we had a caving trip and spent an afternoon climbing a bouldering wall. The last two years we hiked to, and swam under, a waterfall. Other afternoons, activities are optional. We encourage physical activity: using the Fowler Center for swimming, basketball, or lifting weights; playing tennis or volleyball outdoors; or exploring the campus or some of the more than 40 miles of wooded trails on the Domain by foot or bike.

In the evening after study hall, students are usually free until dorm check-in. Some might play tennis; others go to the campus coffeehouse to relax. We have a bonfire one night, and sometime during the program we have a talent show.

Weekends, we have activities for the whole group. We will probably have a low-key first weekend and take a trip to a nearby city the second. Last summer, we took a picnic and went water skiing on the Tennessee River. Dorm check-in is midnight; students are in their rooms and quiet by 1 A.M. We start the academic week with study hall Sunday night.

Students work in groups to present projects on the final day of the program. Many spend extra time in lab during the last week to complete their projects. Last year's science projects are posted on the web.

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For more information on the Bridge Program, be sure to check out our website at

[www.sewanee.edu/bridgeprogram](http://www.sewanee.edu/bridgeprogram)