

Program Description

The elementary SMILE-e summer program provides students who have completed grade 6, 7 or 8 the opportunity to deepen and extend their skills in literacy and/or numeracy or to reach ahead and learn new skills to prepare for the next grade through our innovative SMILE-e program. The SMILE-e program will engage students in coding activities that incorporate problem solving, critical thinking, creativity, collaboration, reasoning, spatial awareness, and sequencing. This program builds literacy and numeracy skills for student success. Each daily program will be taught by an OCT qualified teacher and supported by an educational tutor. **The expectation is that students are engaged from 8:30 AM to 2:00 PM, Monday to Friday.** This program is delivered in a Synchronous/Real Time learning model.

Synchronous/Real Time learning provides student-teacher contact in Google Classroom. Instruction may include students watching video lessons, participating in live interactive lessons, completing assigned tasks either offline at home or in an online classroom environment, and contributing to online discussion boards.

Regular attendance is suggested to allow students to benefit from this program. Students should be available for activities from 8:30 AM to 2:00 PM for the duration of the program.

Course Registration Deadlines

Registration closes Monday June 28, 2021, 12:00 pm. Additional registrations may be accepted after these dates if space permits. **Durham Continuing Education** reserves the right to revise, limit or cancel programming because of the COVID-19 pandemic, enrollment, and other circumstances. Students will be notified of course cancellations.

Course Access – First Day Procedures

Durham District School Board students – all DDSB students will access their course using DDSB credentials via the MyCampus portal (<http://student.ddsb.ca>). Courses may not be accessible until the first day of program.

All other students will receive login instructions at least 3 days prior to course start. Courses may not be accessible until the first day of the program.

Login Assistance on the First Day of Program: if you are unable to login as instructed, please email DCEInfo@ddsb.ca **ONCE ONLY**. Include your full name (first and last), course code (i.e., SMILEe), teacher name (if you know it), home school and contact email and phone number. The DCE team will work through responses on a first come first served basis.

Progress Reports

Progress reports will be provided by the teacher on the final day of the program. If you are aware that you will be absent on the final day of the program, make sure you connect with your teacher to make alternate arrangements for reporting. **Progress information will NOT be given out over the telephone.**

Course Withdraw

Withdraws **PRIOR** to the first day of the course:

- Students may withdraw using our online [Withdraw Form](#)

Withdraws **AFTER** the first day of the course (even if student has not attended):

- Students must use the withdraw link found in the navigation bar of the course or our online [Withdraw Form](#)

DDSB Secondary School Acceptable and Safe Use Procedure for Computing and Information Technology

The Durham District School Board's computing and information technology facilities and resources are made available to students in support of their learning, research requirements and career preparation. Students and parents/guardians will be asked to review the [DDSB's Secondary School Acceptable and Safe Use Procedure for Computing and Cyber Safety](#)

NOTE: Use of a laptop, tablet or desktop computer is **HIGHLY** recommended for this program. The program is not designed for completion on a cell phone.