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BUILDING UNIQUE INVENTIONS TO LAUNCH DISCOVERIES, ENGAGEMENT AND REASONING IN STEM

# TUSKEGEE BUILDERS ACADEMY

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## **WE ARE FINALLY HERE!**

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The Academy will be starting this Thursday, June 29th. Students are expected to arrive between 8:45 and 9:00 am, and dismissal will begin at 2:45 pm. All students should have departed by 3:00 pm.

Bus transportation was arranged by each school district, and students and/or parents/guardians should have been contacted by the schools with information.

Students not riding the bus must go to Armstrong Hall, on West Montgomery road, Tuskegee. Google maps driving directions were sent by e-mail and are available for download from the program website (go to the "Program Information" tab), the program's twitter page (@TUBuilders), or by typing https://goo.gl/maps/XVdB4Vh1xin.





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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

- June 29 First day of the Academy
- July 3-5 Independence Day holiday (no Academy)
- July 21 Student showcase @ Tuskegee University

#### ELECTRONIC DEVICES AT THE ACADEMY

Schools have allowed students to make use of their electronic devices for the duration of the Academy. If you have already checked out your device, make sure you bring it the first day. If you don't have it yet, it will be issued on the first

day of the Academy. Rules for use and care of these devices will be the same as during the Academic year.

If you prefer to use your own device, please let your teacher know the first day of the Academy.



For program information, go to www.TuskegeeBuildersAcademy.org

### IN THE MAIL...

An envelope will arrive a few days before the Academy starts containing a few forms for your review. These forms are to ask for your permission to participate in our research project. Students



participating in the research will fill a few short surveys and complete a brief interview.

Participating in the research is not mandatory, and will not affect your student's status in the program.

Please, return research forms to the Academy on June 29th.

If you do not wish to participate in the research, you can return the forms blank.

## **WHY RESEARCH?**

Research will help us determine why the BUILDERS program is effective, and will give us ideas to improve opportunities for students in the Macon County and Phenix City schools, as well as better reach other school districts in Alabama.

If you want more information about the research or misplace your forms, visit the program website (look under the "Research" tab). For questions, e-mail us at TuskegeeBuildersAcademy@gmail.com.

# ACADEMY DAILY SCHEDULE 8:45-9:00 Arrival 9:00-9:30 Overview of daily activities Student brainteasers or interactive makerspace games 9:30-9:40 Snack break\* 9:40-10:10 Review of Makerspace/STEM contents 10:10-12:00 Research background information for Makerspace project 12:00-1:30 Lunch Break\* 1:30-2:45 Makerspace activity 2:45-3:00 Wrap-up for the day 3:00 Dismissal \*Snacks and tunch provided by the Academy

#### WHO ARE OUR TEACHERS?

# Ms. Angela Player

Science

Booker T. Washington High School

Mrs. Brenda McNeely
Math

Booker T. Washington High School

Mrs. Cicely Abron Math Central High School

Learn more about our teachers in the next Newsletter!