

Here Comes Summer!!

Summer is here and with it comes evaluations, assessments, and a STEM visit for the scholars at the Hilltop Lutheran Neighborhood Center.

Center Youth Services Coordinator, Teresa Allen, explains that the year-end assessments were done via their Renaissance Learning platform.



“All youth showed positive progress in math and reading assessments.” Teresa says learning won’t end with the end of the school year. “During the summer we will continue to work on reading and math. All in all, it has been a very good program month and year for our school-age program and we look forward to having a productive summer.”

That “productive summer” will come at least partially through this year’s Hilltop Summer Camp. Teresa points out that this year’s camp will center on a wide variety of topics.

“...our ‘Summer of STREAM’ which includes games, experiments, and other activities focus on science, technology, reading, engineering, art, and math. Our summer literacy interns have been hired; they will be assisting us with our literacy sessions.”



Meanwhile, Center Executive Director, Michelle Williams, reports that 20 preschoolers visited the Chemours Community STEM Hub at EastSide Charter School.

“The \$27 million transformation is a state-of-the-art STEM education facility, creating endless opportunities for students and community.

The students enjoyed the hands-on experiences and staff was impressed with everything that the facility offers.”



Finally, this just in: Hilltop will sponsor a new fund raiser in September. Center Deputy Director, Brandon Furrowh, says the purpose is rooted in recognition.

“The Hilltop Lutheran Neighborhood Center will host an inaugural Hilltop Heroes Gala. This event will highlight individuals and other organizations who have made significant contributions to the success of Hilltop. The gala will take place at the Hyatt Place Wilmington Riverfront on Saturday, September 20, 2025.”

Mark your calendars as we hope to see you there!

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