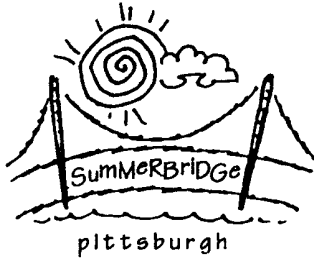


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(SEWICKLEY, PA) – On Saturday, July 31, Summerbridge Pittsburgh will hold its annual Celebration, which marks the completion of the 17th year of its summer program. The Celebration is an event for faculty, staff, parents, and friends of the Summerbridge community to join with students to celebrate their talents, successes, and accomplishments.

“Celebration is incredibly meaningful to the students,” says Executive Director Bill Gellman. “It is an opportunity for them to celebrate their academic achievements, display their extra-curricular projects, and reflect on their summer as a whole. And this group of students certainly has a lot to be proud of!”

Celebration will take place in Rea Auditorium at Sewickley Academy from 4 to 6 PM, with a light reception immediately following. During the event, students and teachers will perform poetry, dances, and songs. Selected students from the seventh, eighth, and ninth grades will give testimonials detailing what Summerbridge has meant to them and how attending the program has affected them both academically and personally. A member of the faculty will also deliver a similar testimonial about the impact the program has on its teachers. The program concludes with students, teachers, and invited guests performing Summerbridge’s famous “energizers,” special cheers that have been created over the 17-year history of the program.

Summerbridge Pittsburgh is a program of Sewickley Academy and affiliated with the Breakthrough Collaborative, a national organization that aids underserved students throughout the US, in order to improve their educational trajectory. Summerbridge Pittsburgh is one of 27 sites that comprise the Breakthrough Collaborative and operates on a 12-month basis. For more information, visit the Summerbridge web site at www.sewickley.org (under the Programs tab) or www.breakthroughcollaborative.org.

Founded in 1838, Sewickley Academy is Pittsburgh’s oldest independent school. A premier coeducational, college-preparatory day school, Sewickley Academy enrolls 800 students in prekindergarten through grade 12. For more information, visit www.sewickley.org.

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