



## 2011 SUMMER CAMP FACT SHEET

Big Thought, in partnership with the City of Dallas, Dallas Independent School District and dozens of area organizations, offers full and half-day Thriving Minds summer camp programs that provide academic support and enrichment activities designed to make learning more meaningful, engaging and fun for elementary and middle school age participants.

### FAST FACTS

- Thriving Minds programs are designed to help minimize summer learning loss and ensure students are more prepared to hit the ground running in fall
- Participants take traditional academic instruction in subjects like math, science, social studies and language arts, and apply it to real-world problems through interactive, project-based curriculums and activities
- Elementary programs offer instruction in theater, music, visual art, robotics and other enrichment activities to help participants develop skills in self-expression, critical thinking and problem solving
- Middle school programs emphasize career exploration through interactions with working professionals and career counseling services

**CHILDREN SERVED**      **10,227** (through programs in Dallas ISD and community facilities across the city)

### CAMP LOCATIONS

17 Dallas ISD Elementary Campuses	Harry Stone Recreation Center
9 Dallas ISD Middle School Campuses/Fair Park	Fireside Recreation Center
UNT South Campus	West Dallas Community Centers
El Centro College	Choices Leadership Academy
Bath House Cultural Center	The Black Academy of Arts and Letters
Oak Cliff Cultural Center	Dade Learning Center
South Dallas Cultural Center	St. Phillips School & Community Center
Latino Cultural Center	

### PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS

Dallas Independent School District	Junior Players
City of Dallas Office of Cultural Affairs	West Dallas Community Centers
Fair Park (Facilities Management & Cultural Institutions)	Project Still I Rise
City of Dallas Parks & Recreation	Choices Leadership Academy
YMCA of Metropolitan Dallas	Trinity River Audubon Center
University of North Texas	Dallas Theater Center
El Centro College	

**STAFF**      **Nearly 1,500** (including Dallas ISD instructors and professional teaching artists)

### ABOUT THRIVING MINDS

Thriving Minds is a citywide education initiative that brings together organizations that believe in the power of imagination, creativity and innovation to change the way children learn. Through programs that encourage active participation in arts and culture, creative thinking, project-based learning and hands-on experimentation, Thriving Minds works to surround children with opportunities to develop skills and nurture talents that lead to success. To learn more visit [www.thrivingminds.org](http://www.thrivingminds.org).

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