



About 21st Century Scholars After School Programs

The Fitchburg Public Schools has operated 21st Century afterschool programs for more than 8 years. Each elementary and middle school has a 21st Century afterschool program. This year we received new funding from a competitive federal grant called 21st Century Community Learning Centers for a high school after school learning center. We are proud to open DaVinci's Coffeehouse at Fitchburg High School!

DaVinci's Coffeehouse is working with the following community partners in order to bring you the very best in quality afterschool programming.

- United Way Youth Venture**
- MWCC Gear Up**
- Cleghorn Neighborhood Center YEP (Youth Empowerment Program)**
- Fitchburg Access Television (FATV)**
- Fitchburg State University**
- Rollstone Studios**
- LUK, Inc.**
- Growing Places Garden Project**
- Twin Cities CDC, Inc.**
- Montachusett Opportunity Center (MOC)**

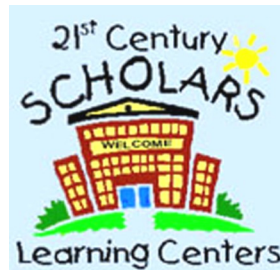
More information about the 21st Century programs can be found at www.fitchburgarts.org.

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Registration forms available with your class advisor, school office and at www.fitchburgarts.org Program is free. Transportation is available.



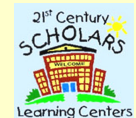
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Fitchburg High School

Welcome to
Da Vinci's Coffeehouse
an afterschool program for teens fostering



This program is funded by a federal 21st Century Community Learning Centers grant, the United Way of North Central Massachusetts, and several community partners



Da Vinci's Coffeehouse

Is a place for discovery, innovation and creative expression within an environment recalling the cultural history of European coffeehouses where members would congregate to talk, write, read, entertain one another, or pass the time, whether individually or in small groups. The Coffeehouse is named after Leonardo DaVinci who is widely considered to be one of the most talented artists who ever lived. Known as a Renaissance man, DaVinci excelled as a sculptor, architect, musician, scientist, mathematician, engineer, inventor, anatomist, geologist, cartographer, botanist and writer. ***It is within this environment that we hope to inspire teens to explore their personal identity, their own voice, talents, interests, and dreams for the future.***

**Program starts
September 26th
1:45 pm - 4:45 pm
Monday ~ Thursday**

DaVinci's Coffeehouse follows the school calendar and also the 21st Century Scholars Calendar for elementary and middle school learning centers. Visit: www.fitchburgarts.org for a copy of the 2012 calendar.

Healthy snacks is provided and transportation will be available. **There are no student fees or costs associated with this program.**

Vision

DaVinci's Coffeehouse is a safe and inclusive place where teens can explore interests in technology, arts, career and college readiness, community service learning and civic engagement in preparation for a successful and productive life in a global society.

What's in it for me?

DaVinci's is a place where you can socialize and meet friends. It's also a place where you can develop new interests and get the help you need to succeed in school!

Community Service Learning. Have you ever thought of starting your own business or do something that fills a need in the community or school; plant a garden or mentor a child in reading or math?

Creative Arts. Have you ever been in a play, learned to play a musical instrument, taken dance lessons in a professional studio or participated in a poetry slam? How about learning cosmetology or hair design, designing your own jewelry and fashion, or culinary arts from a local chef and even woodworking?

Technology, Science and Media Arts. Does creating a video game or multi-media production using state of the art TV cameras and editing systems interest you? Can't get enough technology? Learn everything you need to know about Microsoft Office and graphic arts applications such as Adobe Pho-

toshop. Learn to take apart and rebuild a computer; program a robot and RC race car or compose an original song and basics of music production technology.

Recreation/Health and Fitness.

Chess, board games, weight training, yoga, walking and hiking clubs and nutrition cooking classes.

Programs mentioned in this brochure are subject to change depending on enrollment and student interests.

Policies



DaVinci's is open 32 weeks per year and operates 12 hours per week, 1:45 - 4:45 pm, Mon-Thurs.

Enrollment. Students can sign up at any time. However, students must sign up for a minimum of 2 afternoons per week (6 service hours) for a total of 80 hours. High School students can create their own schedule with the afterschool coordinator. Regular attendance is required.

Dismissal. Students are not allowed to leave the program on their own without the expressed permission of a parent or guardian.

Transportation. Students may take the 5:00 pm Mart bus with parental permission. Cost for Mart pass will be paid through the program. First Student Bus transportation must be requested through the afterschool coordinator.

DaVinci's Coffeehouse programs follow the School-Day Rules and Policies as described in the FHS handbook.