All Summer Long
Robust camps, enrichment and employment for our students

Inside: So many summertime opportunities at Broome-Tioga BOCES

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At Broome-Tioga BOCES, summertime is a busy one. In addition to our Summer Enrichment for Special Education, we hold our CTE 5th-Grade Summer Camp, our STEAM Academy for students in Grades 7 through 10, and our P-Tech summer program for incoming high school students. We also see our Cosmetology students working hard toward accumulating the needed hours for certifications, as well as employing dozens of area high school and college students in varied summer roles. To say BOCES is a busy place over the summer is quite an understatement.

One thing that remained consistent over our summer session - Miss Megan Ackerman, shown here (left), as she greeted and escorted guests with that engaging smile of hers. Can’t wait to see her - and everyone - back for 2023-2024 in September!
These next pages shine a spotlight on our Summer Enrichment program for Special Education. Students in this annual program get a short break after the regular school year, then return to maintain and build their skills in early July, attending daily until mid-August. Summer Enrichment covers a broad array of programs: Oak Tree, PALS and MOVE, as well as Crossroads and Reclaim.
P-Tech Summer Bridge is held each July with the purpose of bringing a sense of unity to our 9th and 10th graders through various team- and skill-building activities. Incoming freshmen are immersed for three weeks, while sophomores attend for two. The freshmen learn the values and expectations of P-Tech while participating in STEM/PBL (Project Based Learning) challenges. Students are also exposed to skills for Regents courses (Algebra & Living Environment), while also participating in three days at the Wilderness Adventure Ropes Program Course. Sophomores explore their chosen P-Tech pathway, develop professional skills such as technical writing and public speaking, and continue to develop relationships with fellow attendees. Students also learn how to use new software, which will help them later in their P-Tech journey.
On these next few pages you’ll find images from our Summer STEAM Academy, which welcomes students in Grades 7 through 10. For two weeks they fly drones, build, race and battle robots, construct and test catapults, build weight-bearing structures, launch water-bottle rockets, and more.
Several high school and college students are hired by BOCES each summer, whether as part of our Summer Youth Employment program or as full-time summer workers. These students gain valuable skills that benefit them in the future, while also playing a crucial role in supporting our extensive summer campus improvements and upkeep.
These last pages highlight photos from our popular CTE 5th-grade Summer Camp. In this two-week session, students sample a variety of CTE offerings at BOCES - everything from animal science to criminal justice, from cosmetology/movie makeup to culinary arts, all of our trades offerings, and so much more.
The “Dog Days of Summer” are upon us, so we hope you stay cool and enjoy the rest of your summer. Raia (pictured here with her usual smile) is a 7-year-old German shepherd mix owned by Chef Rachel Patinka, B-T BOCES Culinary Arts instructor. Raia loves visiting BOCES Animal Science for an occasional grooming.