Youth Digital Summer Camp FAQ

What is Youth Digital?
Youth Digital empowers kids and teens to be digital creators, designers, animators, programmers and developers. The breakthrough learning platform provides campers a comprehensive learning experience that is amazingly fun, highly interactive and extremely effective. Campers watch videos, respond to questions, earn badges, complete quizzes, and attempt challenging assignments as they step toward mastering critical technology skills and professional-level software.

What is Region 10 Education Service Center?
Region 10 Education Service Center (ESC) is one of 20 regional service centers established by the Texas State Legislature in 1967. It serves school districts and charter schools in the northeast Texas area by providing professional development, educational programs, and services designed to improve student achievement and school district efficiency.

How do Youth Digital courses work?
Campers will login and work through 12 consecutive modules in each course. Each module begins with engaging videos introducing the topic and explaining the concept. During each video lesson campers will be prompted to work on their own project and then return to the video for more instruction. After completing a lesson, students will answer questions meant to reinforce what they have learned. After completing all the lessons in a module students take a final quiz, and then tackle the troubleshooting challenge before moving on to the next module. Upon completion, they will have made a complete video game, mobile app, animated movie, Minecraft© Mod or 3D model.

Does my child need to know a lot about computers or programming?
No prior programming or design experience is necessary. Youth Digital summer camp courses are designed to make learning new digital skills fun and effective. Campers will be guided through every step, from downloading the software to submitting your final project.

Does my child have to bring his/her own laptop or computer?
Computers are provided at the camp site. Since your child has access to the course for one year after the camps ends, having a computer or laptop with internet access at home is suggested. It is not necessary or recommended that the camper bring his/her own computer or laptop.

Are teachers there if my child need help?
Yes, each camp is led by a Texas-certified teacher from the host school district. The camp teacher and the Region 10 ESC facilitator will provide technical and instructional support.

What other expectations are there for campers?
Youth Digital, Region 10 ESC and Garland ISD expect campers to demonstrate respect toward all camp staff members and fellow campers at all times while in attendance. Campers are expected to act responsibly, be kind to others and follow instructions. Attendance at summer camp is contingent upon your child's ability to exhibit and maintain acceptable standards of behavior and citizenship.   *While we offer these camps for children ages 8-14, we recognize that we may not be the best camp option or have the appropriate support in place for all children, especially those who require may require special medical, behavioral or social support.* There is no refund if a camper is asked to leave camp due to behavioral problems or for disobeying camp policies

What are camp hours? Which days do camps meet?
Each camp meets Monday through Thursday from 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM CDT.

Who can register for camps?
The Mod Design Learn Java with Minecraft camp is offered for children between the ages of 8-14.
The 3D Game Design camp is offered for children between the ages of 10-14. Register your child based on their age as of June 1, 2015*.*

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What about lunch?

There will be a lunch break each day! Campers need to bring a "brown bag" lunch to the camp each day. Please write the student's name on the lunch as it will refrigerated until time for the lunch break.

Is transportation provided?

Parents are responsible for transporting their child to and from camp each day.

What should we bring to camp? Where do I drop off/pick up my camper?

The parent contact provided at the time of registration will receive an email from Region 10 approximately seven days before the start date of camp, which will include a campus map, the camp location, details on drop off and pick up, and what to bring for camp --- including emergency contact information.

What is the cost of each camp?

The cost of each camp is $400.

What is the payment policy?

The Region 10 ESC online registration system at www.region 10.org accepts Visa and MasterCard. We cannot hold your child's space in camp until we have received full payment on or before the camp registration and payment deadline.

What is the registration and payment deadline for each camp?

- For the Mod Design: Learn Java with Minecraft camp registration and payment must be completed on or before June 8, 2015.
- For 3D Game Design camp registration and payment must be completed on or before June 15, 2015.
- It should be noted that camps are limited to a maximum of 25 campers and registration may close prior to the camp registration deadline if the camp is filled.

What are the cancellation and refund policies?

All cancellation and refunds must be requested in writing by emailing barbara.smith@region10.org. Written cancellation requests must be received by:

- on or before June 10, 2015 at 4:30 PM CDT for the Mod Design: Learn Java with Minecraft camp
- on or before June 17, 2015 at 4:30 PM CDT for 3D Game Design camp

Youth Digital Summer Camp Participation Terms

The camper and his/her parents/legal guardian must agree to the rules and regulations for the health, safety and welfare of the camp and its campers and staff. By completing the online registration for your camper(s), you agree to the Participation Terms below.

NON-DISCRIMINATION
Region 10 Education Service Center does not discriminate on the basis of gender, race/ethnicity, economic status, sexual orientation, physical ability, or cultural and religious backgrounds.

ACT OF GOD
In the event the opening of camp is delayed or camp ends early due to an act of God or civil authority or other reason beyond the control of camp, no adjustment of fees will be made.

MEDIA
By registering your camper, you allow Region 10 Education Service Center permission for use your child's name, voice, or words, and digital image. Media is used for various promotional materials, including but not limited to summer camp brochures and the Region 10 website.

BEHAVIOR CODE
Region 10 ESC is committed to having a camp environment in which every camper and staff member can learn, play, and participate in an atmosphere free from all forms of bullying and harassment. Any form of harassment, whether written, oral, physical, visual, or virtual, is strictly prohibited and subject to disciplinary consequences. Bullying or verbal abuse based on race, religion, gender, gender identification, sexual orientation, disability, or physical appearance are not tolerated. A camper who bullies or is inappropriately physical is sent to the office and parents are notified. That camper may be required to leave camp, with no refund of tuition.

TRANSPORTATION
Parents or legal guardians are responsible for transporting their child to and from camp each day. It is expected that student will arrive by 8:00 AM at the earliest and afternoon pick-up will promptly at 3:00 PM. Each parent will complete a Participation Form to include the name of the person transporting the student each day. On the first day of camp this person will be given a laminated card indicating which child or children, he/she is picking up each day. You must have your child's laminated card visible in your vehicle to pick up your child(ren) each day.

HEALTH AND SAFETY
Parent or legal guardian authorizes the camp staff to seek emergency medical treatment for my child if deemed necessary. In addition, parent or legal guardian authorizes agrees to assume full financial responsibility for medical treatment for their child(ren), it is understood that emergency medical treatment will be sought only in situations requiring immediate attention, and that camp staff will make every effort to notify the parent or legal guardian with respect to the emergency medical treatment.

DISCLAIMER
By registering a child for participation in this camp, parents or legal guardians acknowledge that the children will be using the camp facilities at their own risk and hereby release Region 10 Education Service Center, Garland ISD, and participating camp staff members for any claim for damage or suit by reason of injury, illness or damage whatsoever, to person or property of any of any family member.

Youth Digital Camp Contact Form

This form must be completed and signed by the parent or guardian before the first day of camp.

Part I - Camper

Name: _____ Age: _____ Date of birth: _____

Height: _____ Weight: _____ **Part II - Parent /Legal Guardian**

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime phone: _____ Alternative Phone: _____

Email: _____

Part III - Person authorized to pick up the camper if different from the parent/legal guardian

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime phone: _____ Alternative Phone: _____

Email: _____

***Car Make and Model _____ License Plate _____

Part IV - Emergency/Medical Information

Primary Care Physician: _____

Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Medical Insurance Provider: _____

Does your child take medicine on a regular basis? Yes: _____ No: _____

(Please note that camp staff <u>cannot</u> administer medication.)

If yes, please specify: _____ ||

Please list any allergies or medical problems camp staff should be aware of:

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I have read and agree with the Youth Digital summer camp participation terms.

_____   _____ _____

Signature   Printed Name   Date