Tuesday, July 1st:

Dates to day of class, but mark down these dates!!

Philadelphia, PA 19103
1900 Benjamin Franklin Parkway

You will get a final schedule your first Environmental Education Center 10:00am to 3:00pm

WELCOME NEW WINS I

Remember...

Trip to Poconos
Tuesday, August 26th

Thursday, August 7th:

Thursday & Friday, June 26th & 27th:

Tuesday, June 24th:

Meet at ANSP 9:30am, return by 4:00pm

Meet at Drexel’s Bossone building be-

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WINS Newsletter

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WINS II

Tuesday, June 24th: Field Trip!
Snorkeling and Stream Study at Brandywine and Beaver Creeks
Meet at ANSP at 8:00am, return by 4:00pm

Thursday & Friday, June 26th & 27th:
Customer Service Training for ALL Explainers and Interns, ANSP
9:30am to 4:00pm

Thursday, August 7th: Field Trip Lab Workshops at Drexel University with DGWISE (Drexel University Women in Science and Engineering)
Meet at Drexel’s Bossone building between 31st & 32nd street and Market street at 9:45am, return by 1:30pm

Tuesday, August 26th: Field Trip!
USDA Presentations & Awbury Arboretum
Meet at ANSP 9:30am, return by 4:00pm

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Tuesday, July 1st: First Day!
Academy of Natural Sciences 10:00am to 3:00pm
August 11th to 15th: Trip to Poconos Environmental Education Center

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Jasmane Harvey, on left, with WINS Alumna Maranda Parker working on the scapula of an Edmontosaurus at the Academy’s Paleo Lab in Fall 2013.
As the spring graces us with its presence bringing forth not only changing weather and blooming flowers, but also a host of new exciting activities in the WINS program including, camping, sailing, and interviews for potential new WINS. It also brings forth one of the most exciting times of the year for high school students - GRADUATION! This year we say farewell to 13 tremendous seniors!

All of the seniors will be going off to college, both near and far. Close to home are: Jacquelyne Ng, WINS Drexel scholarship recipient, for Environmental Science and Kyra Sacks, Liberty scholarship recipient Undecided in the sciences at Drexel University, and Dakota Foster will be studying Kinesiology at Temple University.

Ladies you have survived 4 years of WINS, college should be a walk in the park! Apply all that you have learned thus far in these past few years to give you that extra push in college and don’t forget to come back and visit!

Wondering what you’ll do after graduation? Are you about to graduate college, are out looking for a job, or are in transition from one job to another - this activity is for you!! Join us for “Work It!” a day of learning about networking and how to present yourself in a professional manner.

Wow! I can’t believe it’s my 4th year in WINS. The last 3 years I have been in WINS, I have had the greatest opportunities any young female teen can ever experience.

My first year in WINS II, I had the most wonderful time working in Dinosaur Hall being an Explainer at the Dig. The next year I had an internship at the Paleo Lab where I had the tremendous opportunity to go to Montana, a once in a lifetime chance. Having to go with my peers Jasmane Harvey, Maranda Parker and Keisha Medina helped me learn so much and I grew closer to them. I increased my knowledge from learning all about dinosaurs like where they lived and how they were like back in prehistoric times all thanks to the coolest mentor Jason Poole. To me it’s probably the coolest and most interesting internship there is!

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