

NEED to KNOW -- INFORMATION for EXCEL 2014

There are no fees, tuition, or room and board to attend the Excel program.

The Excel Residential Coordinator, Claire Burke and three Resident Counselors live in the residence hall with the students. They will be available to you from 3:00 pm through the night, and will often be conducting programs, field trips, or discussions to help you understand your role as an IMSA student.

Faculty and staff will be available throughout the day. You will be in the Academic building between 7:45 and 4:00 pm. You are expected to handle yourself responsibly and reasonably in and out of class.

There is a nurse on campus every morning from Monday through Friday (she distributes prescription medications).

Security is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. These are responsible professionals whose job is to protect the safety and security of our students and staff, as well as the security of our facilities. They are very visible and will assist you at all times.

All IMSA students are to have completed registration forms by June 8th.

<https://www.imsa.edu/studentlife/parents/registrationsoph17>

Your Health Registration forms, including insurance information, must be submitted before you can move in on JULY 6th and participate in Excel

Please read the important information about Excel found on the website, and complete and return the Excel forms:

<https://www.imsa.edu/studentlife/parents/2017/excel:>

Information about Excel online:

- EXCEL OVERVIEW – SUMMER 2014 (purpose and goals, curriculum and expectations)
- NEED to KNOW – GENERAL INFORMATION for EXCEL 2014 (schedule details)
- What to Bring to Excel

Forms to be printed signed and returned to Barb Miller by June 28th:

- Field Trip Release Form: Wheaton Park District: Lincoln Marsh Teams & Ropes Course
- Excel Behavioral Contract

Sign and mail Field Trip Release, waiver, and Behavioral contract to:

Excel 2014
Barb Miller
Illinois Mathematics and Science
Academy
1500 Sullivan Road
Aurora, IL 60506 Fax: 630-907-5935

WHERE WILL I LIVE? WHAT DO I NEED TO BRING?

You will be staying in the residence hall 1504 with a roommate, and four Resident Counselors (RC's). You need to bring just enough to survive for three weeks (see the **What to Bring to Excel** list). Casual clothes are appropriate, but plan on changeable weather and temperatures (including sometimes uneven air conditioning in the buildings).

You must have closed-toed shoes for laboratory work, and gym shoes for the Teams Course. Meals will be provided three times a day during the week. Brunch and dinner may be scheduled on weekends.

You are NOT to bring your own computer. IMSA Computers will be provided during the three weeks of the summer Excel program.

DO I NEED MONEY?

Most expenses for programmed activities will be taken care of, but there may be optional activities that cost money. Field trip admissions and food is covered, but you may wish to bring some money to buy souvenirs, snacks, etc. You will need cash if you plan to do laundry (\$1 through \$20 bills to load onto the laundry card). Again, you may wish to bring a small amount of spending money, but it is not required.

WHEN DO I COME?

Sunday, July 7th: **1:00-2:30 Check-in/move-in at Residence Hall 1504.**
 3:00-4:30 Opening Session for all Excel students and Families in the Auditorium

Parents are respectfully asked to leave campus by 5:00 pm.

5:00-10:00 Meeting with Ms. Miller, Dinner, Campus Tours; Hall and Wing meetings
10:00 Check

Friday—Sunday, July 11-13 **Students are required to stay on campus for the first weekend.**
Friday—Sunday, July 18-20 **Students may leave for home (optional) after 4:00 pm on Friday and return by 6:30 pm Sunday.**
Friday, July 25th, 2:00-3:00pm **Closing reception for all Excel Students and Parents**

REMINDER: Students must remain on campus the first weekend. Anyone choosing to leave for the 2nd weekend MUST checkout with the staff member on duty in 1504 before leaving. There will be recreational activities during the weekend for those who stay on campus.

CONTACT WITH HOME -- MAIL DELIVERY

Mail delivery will be available on campus between 8:30am and 4:00pm Monday through Friday throughout the program. **Friends and family members are encouraged to write or send packages to students participating in Excel.** Through July 22nd, address items to your student c/o Claire Burke. (NOTE: During the school year you address mail directly to the student by name.)

Student's Name
c/o Claire Burke
Excel Residential Coordinator
IMSA - 1500 W. Sullivan
Aurora, Illinois 60506

QUESTIONS?

Contact **Ms. Barb Miller** by e-mail (bmiller@imsa.edu), or call 630-907-5971
or **Claire Burke**, Residential Coordinator, by e-mail (cburke@imsa.edu)

We look forward to meeting you this summer!



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