High Schoolers Needed: Hexacago Health Academy

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Ci3 at the University of Chicago has an opportunity for youth going into 11th and 12th grades in Fall 2021. Youth will participate in a unique virtual program taking place over the summer and school year. This is part of a research study on science/health education run by Dr. Melissa Gilliam at the University of Chicago.

The study evaluates a new program to teach high school students about STEM and health, career readiness, and the college application process. This program will provide training in youth-initiated mentoring and cultivate skills such as problem solving, teamwork and collaboration. Additional benefits include mentorship, skills-training, social support, health education, and exposure to science and health fields.

By doing this study, we hope to learn about how to best support young people in exploring their career options. You will be enrolled in this study for a period of 1 year.

• First, you will participate in a two-week virtual summer intensive program. You will take a survey immediately before and immediately after the summer intensive.
• During the following school year, you will participate in two 2-4 hour booster sessions throughout the year and then complete a survey after the final booster session.
• Six months after completing the booster sessions (approximately 1 year after initial study enrollment), you will complete a follow-up assessment.

The virtual summer intensive will last two weeks. Two sessions will take place, one starting July 19 – July 30 and the second August 2 – August 13 via University of Chicago Zoom. Youth will be exposed to a series of activities related to STEM and health topics. Additionally, students will complete surveys about their learning experiences, interests in STEM and health, science and health knowledge, and attitudes about science and health.

Booster sessions will be scheduled throughout the following school year.

Compensation

• For participating in the two-week virtual program participants will receive $450.
• Participants will receive $15/hour for participating in the 2 booster sessions and you will also receive $25 for completing each follow-up survey.

Parents of interested participants under the age of 18 will be required to fill out a consent form, with further details about the program and study.

If you are interested in participating, please fill out this form and we will contact you to enroll!

If you or your parents have questions, e-mail ci3games@bsd.uchicago.edu or text (708) 808-0850.

More about Ci3:
Ci3 is a research center at the University of Chicago, addressing the social and structural determinants of adolescent sexual and reproductive health. At Ci3, we envision a world in which all youth emerge into adulthood with agency over their bodies and futures. Ci3 is committed to empowering young people, conducting innovative research, and uncovering opportunities for policy and systemic change.

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