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Sacred Heart School announces wide variety of summer enrichment programs; SHIELD curriculum now available online

KINGSTON, MA, ISSUED MARCH 29, 2016...Sacred Heart School (www.sacredheartkingston.com), a private, Catholic, co-educational school for students in preschool through grade 12, is proud to announce SHIELD (Sacred Heart Interdisciplinary Education Leadership Development), the school's proprietary summer enrichment program, to be held on the High School campus, beginning in June.

This summer will mark the second year Sacred Heart has offered the summer enrichment program, which in its inaugural year was attended by 200 students, representing 20 regional schools.

This year's SHIELD curriculum will encompass an increased number of courses and expanded range of subjects. The exciting courses, led by Summer Programs Director Dylan Collins, will benefit students in grades 3 through 12 interested in exploring their future fields of study. The one-week electives are designed to meet the specific interests of students and better prepare them for future studies. The summer program will comprise more than 30 classes, which will be taught by Sacred Heart staff, alumni, college professors, researchers, and other professionals in their fields.

Summer course offerings include eight engineering programs taught by Northeastern professors, an Entrepreneur Academy that includes a certificate from Babson College and art programs such as creative writing and comic book illustration. Collaborations between Sacred Heart and Youth Digital, Behn Basketball, CroArt Lacrosse, AAA Drivers Ed, Cape Cod Writing Center and Camp Invention have been developed to bring an even greater number of choices for students attending SHIELD.

A STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) week will serve to introduce students to a variety of course study. Electives in theater, finance, forensics, visual arts, robotics, principals of aviation and more will round out the diverse series of courses presented by SHIELD 2016.

"We're excited about this year's Summer Enrichment Programs and are certain that students will gain a sense of curiosity and a continued love of learning as a result of the many classes offered on our high school campus," said Sacred Heart School President Pamela Desmarais. "These courses stand out for their wide range of unique offerings; here at Sacred Heart we are committed to becoming the South Shore's first choice for enrichment programs."

To view the complete SHIELD program or to register online, please visit www.sacredheartkingston.com/shield. For more information, please call 781-585-7511 or email dcollins@sacredheartkingston.com.

About Sacred Heart School

Sacred Heart is a private, co-educational Catholic school system, which provides educational opportunities for students throughout southeastern Massachusetts and Cape Cod, from preschool

through grade 12. As a sponsored ministry of the Sisters of Divine Providence, Sacred Heart School strives to inspire minds, define character and encourage responsible leadership through a curriculum that prepares students to pursue knowledge throughout their lives. The school provides students with a strong liberal arts curriculum, and integrates technology into the hands of students with its One to One iPad Program. Sacred Heart also offers extensive athletic, arts and extra-curricular activities for students. Founded in 1947, the school underwent a governance change in July 2011, incorporating the Sacred Heart Schools in Kingston, MA as Sacred Heart School System, Inc. This new structure was implemented to assure the continuation of academic excellence of the Sacred Heart Schools for the future, as well as the Catholic mission and the religious community traditions. The school system serves students on a beautiful, expansive campus on Route 80 that includes three school buildings, a central administrative office, and athletic fields and facilities. Sacred Heart School welcomes students of all faiths and diverse backgrounds. The school prides itself in a commitment to developing the whole student, offering an independent school atmosphere and top-tier academics. Pamela Desmarais serves as the school's President. The Sacred Heart campus is located at 251-399 Bishops Highway, Kingston, MA 02364. For additional information about the school, please visit www.sacredheartkingston.com or call 781-585-7511.