

Connecting Communities

K-12 to K-State Arts & Sciences



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This document provides several avenues for providing Arts and Sciences content to K-12 students and community members.

Annual On-Campus Experiences

The following organizations have camps at least annually and often solicit programming from faculty and staff. These programs provide the infrastructure for hosting students (sometimes with their families), deliver students to predetermined locations on campus, and coordinate recruitment, transportation, and other considerations so that faculty can focus on what they do best.

- **KAWSE**

Hosts a Saturday workshop for middle schoolers and highschoolers once a semester and an early summer workshop in June. 50-100 students attend and each session hosts 10-12 students. Sign up to facilitate an activity [here](#). Summer proposals are due in spring.

- **4-H Discovery Days**

An on-campus event for high school students in June. Dona Ratliff is the program coordinator for this event. Faculty sign up through a simple survey which previously has been due in early February. The format is flexible and faculty can host students in the location of their choice at K-State: “This college and career readiness event for high school aged youth has been a partnership for over 100 years between KSU and Kansas 4-H. We have a variety of session lengths being offered, so hopefully, you are able to find one that fits your expertise.”

- **Grandparents U**

Co-sponsored by the College of Ed and the K-State Alumni Association. Both grandparents and their middle-school aged children attend. This camp-style event occurs in August and is coordinated by Haylee Hendryx (gpu@k-state.edu). Surveys for interested faculty go out in mid-spring. Groups of 8-20 (including grandparents) walk to the session locations and sessions typically last 60-75 minutes.

- Additional [off-campus opportunities to partner with 4-H](#).

- Subject-specific camps are also listed at the following site: <https://www.k-state.edu/summer/camps/>

Broader Audience Engagement Events / Off Campus Connections

- Subject-specific camps are often supported by donor funding, small grants and sponsorship from departments and colleges on campus, and/or grant support. Faculty can request funding from NSF for these kinds of events which can help support broader impact statements. A very rough estimate of cost is around \$75-100 per day per participant for an overnight camp.
- These camps can be residential or non-residential, but regardless faculty and staff will need to complete the [Minors on Campus training](#).
- An alternative is to partner with regional libraries, museums, and schools by requesting travel funds to host events on-site.

Sample Budget

This estimate is from 2023 and based on a recruitment event facilitated by K-State Trio in collaboration with KAWSE, OURCI (now called Scholar Development and Undergraduate Research - SDER), and various other units on campus.

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- 1 night, 1 day camp. Quotes from housing and dining depend on a variety of factors, but may be requested through [K-State Housing and Dining Conferences and Events](#)
 - Hotel room for any accompanying adult: \$110
 - Boxed lunches from McAlister's: Approximately \$10 per person
 - [Meals from Derby/ Kramer](#): \$5 per meal per person
 - [Overnight housing](#): \$30/ person
 - Transportation: \$.67 per mile, or cost of bus rental from partnering school or organization (ex: \$120 from Emporia, \$500 from Grand Island Public School)
 - Parking vouchers \$6 per day per car, but check with [Parking services](#) for buses
 - Snacks, toiletries, swag \$10 per person
 - Also, there may be costs for certain spaces on campus, so ensure that you know where students will be and if there will be a cost. Honoraria for staff/faculty may also be a part of this budget. Budget writers may also want to include K-State students to serve as camp ambassadors, helping campers move around campus.

Working with [TRIO](#) can help build connections with underrepresented students who are interested in higher education.