

## Research Science Institute 2012

DoDEA will sponsor three students to attend the 2012 Research Science Institute (RSI). RSI is a six-week residential summer program, in which participants are mentorship of eminent scientists and researchers. Sponsored by the Center for Excellence in Education (CEE), the institute will take place on the campus of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), in the summer of 2012.

RSI is open to students who will complete their junior year of high school by the summer of 2012. Students selected to participate in RSI will experience college-level classes, taught by distinguished professors from leading universities, designed to sharpen student research skills, as they complete hands-on research.

Students must provide evidence of their leadership potential in science and mathematics and ability to lead in community, school activities, and submission of the following criteria:

- Written essay responses to questions pertaining to his or her goals in science and/or math;
- Two recommendations from teachers familiar with the student's academic record;
- Copy of the student's high school transcript reflecting his or her academic record;
- Demonstrated superior achievement in math, the sciences, and writing/presentation skills;
- PSAT math and verbal scores showing evidence of exceptional potential. It is recommended that math PSAT scores be at least 75 and combined math and verbal PSAT scores be at least 140.

Parents and students may obtain further information and guidance from RSI, as well as an application form on the Center for Excellence in Education's website <http://www.cee.org>.

Please note the deadline and process for submitting an application are different for DoDEA students than that listed on the CEE website. Interested **DoDEA students should download and complete the online application and submit a hardcopy** with all required documentation to his or her principal by **January 6, 2012**. Principals will review and ensure the applications are complete. After review, principals will send the applications to the Area Deputy Directors by **January 12, 2012**, who will facilitate selections at the Area level. Area Deputy Directors are to forward the selected applications to DoDEA Headquarters no later than **January 16, 2012**.

The RSI Selection Committee will make the final selections. DoDEA will pay round trip travel expenses for the three selected students. Expenses for lodging and meals are included as part of the RSI Program. Notification for the selected participants will be forthcoming from DoDEA HQ and RSI in late spring. Please direct any questions about the Research Science Institute to Kim Day at [kim.day@hq.dodea.edu](mailto:kim.day@hq.dodea.edu) or by phone (703)-588-3145.