



Summer enrichment adds up

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Students from Piney Branch Elementary School recently spent five weeks at a summer enrichment program at the Essex House Gateway Learning Center, discovering new ways to learn and love math.

On Aug. 3, they presented their "Who am I" Power Point presentations, which integrated history, math, technology and writing.

Passion for Learning Inc. Director Cynthia Rubenstein introduced Essex to Piney Branch and courted all the partners who were involved.

The Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments created the opportunity for this three-year collaboration through a grant from the Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation. Over the next three years, the grant will support math intervention and acceleration for at least 24 Piney Branch students whose math performance is below grade level.