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Academically talented students in grades 5 through 8 in Flossmoor School District 161 may now experience a new opportunity to explore one of two exciting enrichment classes over one weekend.

The Accelerated Weekend Experience (AWE) is available to students who scored at the 95th percentile or above in reading or math on a nationally normed test. The weekend experience is offered in cooperation with District 161 and Northwestern University's Center for Talent Development.

The classes, which include Photoshop for students in grades 5 and 6, and Marine Biology for students in grades seven and eight, will be taught by instructors from Northwestern University.

In the Photoshop class students will produce digital compositions and discuss the ethics of digital manipulations.

In the Marine Biology class students will learn about marine environments and the many different organisms that inhabit the earth's salt waters.

The Accelerated Weekend Experience is scheduled for Saturday, April 17, and Sunday, April 18, from 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. each day at Parker Junior High School, 2810 School Street, Flossmoor.

Tuition for the program is \$250.00, which includes a \$60.00 application fee. Beginning March 21 online applications can be made at www.ctd.northwestern.edu/sep/apply. Further information may be obtained by calling 847-491-3782 ext. 4.