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Academically talented students in grades 5 through 8 in Flossmoor School District 161 will have the opportunity to explore one of two exciting enrichment classes offered in cooperation with District 161 and Northwestern University's Center for Talent Development.

The Accelerated Weekend Experience (AWE) is available to students in grades 5 through 8 who score at the 95th percentile or above in reading or math on a nationally normed test.

The Spring 2011 AWE sessions scheduled at Parker Junior High School on April 9 and 10 are "*Stop-Motion Animation Using SAM*", for fifth and sixth grade students and "*The Science of Chocolate*", for students in grades seven and eight.

The SAM software, created in part by Tufts University's Center for Engineering Education, allows students to create frame-by-frame computer graphics overlaid with text, narration, or set to music.

In the Science of Chocolate class students will explore the role of chocolate in many scientific findings, as well as discover its place in the history of our society. Activities will include hands-on experiments and tastings.

Tuition and applications fees apply to the AWE classes. Applications are available online at www.ctd.northwestern.edu/sep/apply.

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