## Literacy, Recreation and More

Next week the Boys Girls Adults Community Development Center begins its annual summer camp, four weeks of books, learning and games for 80 to 100 students (scholars) in the Marvell-Elaine public elementary school.

The camp stretches the school year by emphasizing literacy and physical activity. The camp's summer activities help to reduce student reading loss during the summer months and equip children to thrive in the regular school setting.

Eddie Taylor, a summer day camp intern for BGACDC, said children read books appropriate to their age and then student interns lead them in discussions of the problems confronting people in the books. Children learn how to resolve conflicts through a hands-on approach to problem solving.



"There are real-life situations that are relevant to our times in every book they read at every level," Taylor said. "They come away with better reading skills and an awareness of social action."

Better health through vigorous physical activity is another objective of the summer day camp.

This year's program site is at the Marvell-Elaine Elementary School and is conducted in collaboration with the Marvell-Elaine School District.



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