

**Appendix F
Summerbridge Dayton 2007
Parent Survey Responses**

1. Is Summerbridge Dayton preparing your child for a rigorous high school program?

1 – Not at All	2	3	4	5 – A Lot
		5	10	9

I'm not sure, are you. How do I find out exactly what was introduced? Is it possible next year to be informed by email? My daughter didn't share this with me willingly.

Great program.

It's hard to say how much he has been prepared for high school because he hasn't talked about his experiences. Your teachers said that he is smart but unfocused. In regular school, his grades were mostly A's with a few B's.

Not in high school yet.

The things that they are teaching her she already knows.

2. How would your child's summer have been different if they had not had the Summerbridge experience?

Boring and long with trying to locate some tutoring programs.

Boring.

He would've been at some type of camp or perhaps summer employment.

Believe me, I definitely had no other clue to where to send my daughter that was as structured, educational, yet fun and she looked forward to coming every day.

She would probably been a little bored. I am sure she would have sat on the computer and listened to music most of the time.

Sitting in the house doing nothing.

She would have sat around and watched TV all summer. She also would not have formed new friendships because she prefers staying indoors on the phone.

Boring, non-educational.

He'd probably say he was bored and played video games a lot. In general, he would have wasted a lot of time.

She would have had a summer job with Youth Works.

She would have probably laid around all day, IM'ing on the computer.

Too much down time (educational).

Probably would have spent summer sitting around.

She would have gotten a summer job.

Watching more TV

Yes Andrew would have had a lot of alone, idle time. Thank you Summerbridge.

Boring and uneducational.

Trying to hang out with friends more after work.

3. What effects do you think Summerbridge Dayton had on your child's overall attitude toward learning?

1 – None	2	3	4	5 – Much
		2	7	15

Although in math, she should have been given more challenges – she had a bad attitude, she felt she already knew the material.

He hasn't talked about his learning; and according to his report card by your staff, his grades were mostly fair.

Erin is a go-getter and the program reinforced the fact that goals and success are built on prayers, priority, good choices, and action (just to name a few).

It has kept the learning experience alive throughout the summer.

4. What is your opinion about the homework?

1 – Not enough	2	3	4	5 – Too much
4	2	11	6	

It was just enough.

I only saw my daughter do homework 3 or 4 times. I think she was very happy about that after hearing she would have two hours worth.

I didn't know anything about the homework.

Some homework is good as long as they don't get overloaded with it. It is summertime.

Did not see enough.

Never brought any home.

With the Ohio Graduation Test and educational staff stressing that we need to encourage our children to write and place on paper what's in their heads, research and homework are a must.

Enough but not too much.

5. What changes would you suggest about any aspects of the program?

None. Great program.

None.

I wouldn't change a thing. It's a wonderful program.

This was my child's first year in the program so it is hard to say.

I just wish a little more communication would have taken place between the instructors and myself because my daughter took advantage of the freedom she was granted. At the same time, I have got to learn to let her make her own mistakes and suffer the consequences. This program helped me to learn to let go. Thank you! Has there ever been the opportunity for the Wright State students to talk to the students at Summerbridge or have a dialogue between students attending WSU and Summerbridge participants? What are some ways to give the participants something to look forward to in achieving college scholarships, etc. I loved the opportunity given to the students as well as the parents. More information regarding the tuition benefits and whether we can increase incentives would be great to encourage college-bound children.

I wish the bus arrangements could have been simpler. But I think she gained new independence by the experience so I guess it worked out!

Better transportation.

I can't think of anything that should be changed. She has matured and become a better person because of this program. Big improvement with self esteem.

None The program is very, very good.

Perhaps you can tell the students CONSTANTLY that what they learn can be applied to their "real" studies. My son benefited a lot from the social experiences, but he didn't seem all that interested in learning.

I can't think of anything.

I think homework is important for a constant reminder of education.

I thought it was helping her with college by showing her or teaching her what to expect of college.

None at this time.

Since I have no experience, I will say that whatever changes that the Summerbridge program makes will be positive.

There's nothing that needs to be changed.

None.

Nothing.

6. Please rate the Summerbridge Dayton program.

1 – Poor	2	3	4	5 – Incredible
			7	16

7. Summerbridge Dayton is funded with the generous support from corporations, grants, and individual donations. Understanding that our costs continue to rise each year as we try to increase our student participation, we may need to charge a nominal weekly fee. If you were charged a weekly fee for your child to participate, would you still have your child in Summerbridge Dayton? If so, what amount would you be willing to pay?

I can afford to pay \$200.

\$50.00 per week

Depends on the program.

\$20.00 per week is all that I have in my budget, yet with the quality of the program, I would encourage her to save for the opportunity to learn - \$85-100 should be easy to get though.

It depends on my financial situation. This summer I was unemployed so a fee would have been impossible. \$25-25 might be a decent range.

\$5.00

\$35.00/week

\$300.00 - \$50/week

Yes, \$20.00 weekly

\$50.00/week

Yes, \$5.00

I would have my child in Summerbridge provided that the cost was about \$5.00 per week. People rely on these types of programs because they are free and benefit the student.

It depends on other financial obligations.

\$25.00

No I wouldn't because I'm a single parent of four.

Maybe. Education is KEY. What I'd be willing to pay and what I'd be able to pay don't quite match up. But a nominal fee unfortunately may prevent some children from attending an excellent, well-needed program in SBD.

Yes about \$5.00

It depends on the cost.

No it is definitely a worthwhile program. As a single parent, I cannot afford to pay today.

\$25.00 weekly

Please tell us your thoughts and ideas about Summerbridge Dayton. If there are any suggestions you have concerning this program (i.e., what we forgot, what we left out, what we could have done better), let us know in the space provided.

I feel that the program is wonderful and continue what great job you're doing.

Program was great!

Perhaps giving the instructors the parent's phone and email address to let us know how our children are adapting and any opportunities to help in any way – fundraising, etc. I have no criticism because I am not fully aware. Also, I do not have enough information as to how well my daughter was prepared – she hasn't shown me her work.

I think the program is excellent. I was really impressed with the fact that the children learned how to prepare resumes. Also the mock interviews and job preparation. Please let parents make comments at the Graduation Program.

I am pleased with the program.

Other than Koins 4 Kids, other fundraising projects to help pay for field trips, if a weekly cost (bake sales, car washes at designated areas), bagging 4 tips (Cub Foods). Certificates should be given for elective classes and for superlatives most shy/quietest should be added).

I think programs need to be multicultural rather than strictly African American. I know my daughter wanted to quit but I basically made her stick it out. In the end, she did enjoy the experience.

I liked the Summerbridge program, but I guess I just didn't understand the program. I expected a lot more. I wanted her to learn what she didn't already know.

Excellent program, builds character, encourages priority setting, peaks curiosity, educational – decreases educational downtime.

I think that Summerbridge is an excellent program for inner city children. I hope that Wright State will continue to seek out inner city children with the hope that one day some of these children will want to attain a college education.

It's a great program for the kids.

Great program. Keeps the kids children focused on their future.