BEA/Dalhousie MATH CAMP 2026

~ Attention ~

Parents, Teachers, Grade 7/8 Students

Given that very few students from our local Black Community are qualifying to study math or science at the university level, and given the severe loss this represents to our province. Dalhousie University and the Black Educators Association have teamed up to develop an exciting program. A seven-day **math/science** camp will be held from **July 12 to July 17, 2026, at Dalhousie University.**

All eligible students of African descent are encouraged to apply.

Participants: Twenty-four (24) girls and boys, grades 7 and 8, who show promise in Math will be invited to attend this camp. Participants will live on campus during the week, and will be provided with meals. Chaperone service will be provided by responsible young male and female adult students of the university.

The Program: The program will emphasize problem-solving skills and applications of mathematics and science to common everyday living. Instructors are chosen from the public school system, the universities, and the professional community. Students will take part in field trips and engage in other recreational activities in the evenings.

Selection: Participants will be selected by the Black Educators Association and applications may be made by: ***(1) students, (2) teachers, (3) or parent (s)...*** At this stage, the program is only open to students having at least one Black parent.

Students must demonstrate promise in a regular academic Math program, and have completed grade 7. In order to give opportunity to students from across our province, only a limited number will be taken from each school and region.

IMPORTANT: In order for the application to be considered, it must be accompanied by the following:

A. a neatly, hand-written or typed letter from the student indicating why he/she wishes to attend the Math Camp and what he/she hopes to get out of the camp

B. a letter of recommendation from the current math teacher with reference to the student's mathematical ability and attitude toward math (include student's marks). The teacher should also indicate the student's level of behaviour and overall attitude toward learning in general.

C. there is a **$75.00 registration fee** for successful candidates, of which **$50.00 is non-refundable and there is a $25.00 refundable deposit** towards student's room key and meal pass, if replacement is not required. **(THE REGISTRATION FEE IS ONLY REQUIRED WITH THE CONSENT FORM WHEN NOTIFIED)**

D. Students with incomplete applications will not be considered. Also, it is very important that the **applications are received before the deadline of April 30th.**

***For more information visit our website**: www.bea-ns.ca – **programs.**

Dalhousie/BEA Math Camp 2026

Application Form Must Be Completed by Parent/Guardian

(Please Print)

BEA/Dalhousie Math Camp Selection Committee
2136 Gottingen Street, Halifax, NS
B3K 3B3 OR FAX TO: (902) 424-0636

_____
(Surname/last name) ***(First name & Middle initial)***

Age: _____ **Birth date:** _____ **Sex: M**_____ **F**_____

Current Grade Level 7 ❒ **or 8** ❒ **T-Shirt size** ***(adult):*** **S** ❒ **M**❒ **L**❒ **XL**❒

Home #: _____ **Parent Cell #:**_____

Home address: _____

(Mailing address-include postal code) _____

(Student e- mail address)_____

School: _____**Phone #:**_____

Current Math Teacher: _____

Current Math Teacher's Email address_____

- **Please attach a letter, stating clearly why this student should be invited to attend the Camp and enclose the math marks from: JUNE 2025 & DEC. 2025.**
- **The letter MUST be sent with the application.**
- **Student MUST be enrolled in a regular academic math program.**

REFERENCES: *Give the names, addresses, and phone numbers of* ***TWO*** *persons who are aware of the abilities of the applicant. One reference must be a teacher and the other a personal reference* ***(not a relative)****.*

1._____
(Name) ***(Address)*** ***(Position)*** ***(Phone #)***

2._____
(Name) ***(Address)*** ***(Position)*** ***(Phone #)***

PARENT/GUARDIAN must complete this section: _____
(Please print name)

SIGNATURE: _____ ***DATE***: _____

Black Educators Association (BEA)

2136 Gottingen Street
Halifax, NS B3K 3B3

February 2026

Dear Educator:

Re: BEA/Dalhousie Math Camp

*Over the years, it has been observed that very few Black students from the local public school system registers in the **MATH** and **SCIENCE** programs at the university level. On a long-term basis, this impacts negatively on our Black community, and on our province as a whole. The Black Educators Association **(BEA)**, Dalhousie University and Science Culture Canada have combined energies and resources to attempt a solution to this problem. The program developed to address this problem is called **MATH CAMP**. The main facility used to host the Math Camp is the Mathematics and Statistics Department of Dalhousie University. Campers live in residence on campus.*

*At this stage, we wish to focus on younger students. Boys and girls, preferably those just completing grade 7 and 8, are invited to attend this week-long camp. The targeted students are those that have shown special interest and ability in math. The Math Camp has a fifty-dollar ($50) **NON-REFUNDABLE REGISTRATION FEE** and the camp will take place at Dalhousie University over six-days from **Sunday, July to Friday, July , 2026**. All successful applicants will be contacted during the month of May/June, and have **(5) business days to confirm** their attendance. If we do not hear from them within that timeframe, we will place the student on our waitlist.*

Would you kindly distribute the application form to your community, and/or staff members, both parents and students, and request their assistance in recommending suitable candidates for this worthwhile program. Besides parents, teachers and clergy, any interested adult may recommend a student. Although we strongly suggest adult sponsorship, we will also consider applications made independently by students. Please note that former attendees at the Math Camp will not be considered.

*Application **deadline is April 30th** feel free to photocopy the forms as necessary for distribution. Kindly pass this information on to interested parties. Thank you for your assistance.*

Sincerely,

Lex Bizzeth

Telbert "Lex" Bizzeth
Math Camp Director