



**BESANT HILL SCHOOL**  
OF HAPPY VALLEY

## SUMMER INSTITUTE 2020

Nestled in the beautiful resort town of Ojai, located in Southern California, Besant Hill School offers a dynamic four weeks of programming in which students interact with peers from all around the world while mastering study skills, life lessons, and gaining an appreciation for California. We offer a variety of courses in English as a Second Language, SAT Prep, and a hands-on STEM Program. The day is structured for academic courses in the morning, afternoon art classes, and multiple off-campus excursions.



### SAT PREP & COLLEGE APPLICATION ESSAY WRITING

**JUNE 28 - JULY 25**

This four-week course provides an in-depth overview of all three sections of the SAT test, including discussions about format, content, and overall strategies. Students have the opportunity to focus on specific techniques to reach target test scores in each section of the SAT, and to learn about common mistakes through practice problems, comprehensive analysis, drills, vocabulary development, math review, pacing exercises, and essay practice. Students take three full-length official SAT tests. These tests are scored and thoroughly reviewed for optimal improvement. Through innovative multi-media tools and proven SAT strategies, students will gain concrete skills in addition to the confidence and familiarity that is so essential for success on testing day. The fourth week of the program is an in-depth look at the college application process, the essay expectations, and ways to best present yourself to any university admission office.

### TUITION

4 WEEK SESSION ..... *Boarding: \$7500*

### LOCATION

## OJAI, CALIFORNIA

**90 MINUTES** NORTHWEST OF LOS ANGELES

**40 MINUTES** SOUTH OF SANTA BARBARA

**20 MINUTES** FROM THE BEACH



**LEARN HOW TO THINK,  
NOT WHAT TO THINK.**



# SUMMER STEM PROGRAM

JUNE 28 - JULY 25

As a college prep high school, Besant Hill School believes in preparing and supporting students to pursue undergraduate careers in science. The summer STEM Program is an intensive, four-week experience designed to immerse students in hands-on science of all genres, including biology, engineering, ecology, botany, chemistry, and environmental science. Students work closely with Besant Hill School teachers and local community members to facilitate projects in computer programming, application development, aerospace, and engineering based on agricultural sustainability. Curriculum is centered on solving real-world problems using foundational knowledge taught each day and with guidance from industry experts.

Students work on experiment design, execution and lab report development. Students have access to Besant Hill's online resources to research various topics. The program includes enriching field trips, such as beach sample collection, visiting the Griffith Observatory and university campuses of UCSB and UCLA.

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# ENGLISH LANGUAGE & AMERICAN CULTURE

JUNE 28 - JULY 25

During Besant Hill School's Summer Institute, students will advance their acquisition of the English language through reading engaging, academic short stories, contemporary articles, and learning academic writing. They'll further develop their understanding of English grammar mechanics and learn new vocabulary and idiomatic expressions. Additionally, the stories and articles they read will help them gain insight into American culture and US history. Higher-level students will also practice oral fluency and critical analysis by participating in formal class discourse. The pace of the summer course is college preparatory and students will be expected to complete thirty minutes of homework each night.

In addition, the Institute provides opportunities to have fun and experience American culture. Outside of classes, students and faculty play sports and travel throughout Southern California - from Ojai to Santa Barbara to Los Angeles, and many places in between.

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