

Lawrence Tech is offering design courses on Saturday

High school juniors and seniors and adults who have "designs on the future" can explore their talents during two special design programs offered on Saturdays at Lawrence Institute of Technology's (LIT) School of Architecture, Southfield.

The Design Discovery and Pre-College Program will be held on LIT's campus Jan. 14 through May 13. Students will gain preliminary exposure to the beginning course work in the fields of architecture, interior architecture, interior design and photography.

In addition, there will be an Art and Architecture Awareness Seminar, which will include field trips to museums, art galleries, and Lawrence Institute of Technology's Frank Lloyd Wright-designed Aflex House.

Participants may take one, two or three classes. Tuition for each studio class is \$180, the seminar is \$60, and an estimated \$150 may be needed for books and materials for a full program.

This year, there are several full-course tuition scholarships to be awarded to the pre-college applicants presenting the highest academic credentials. All students, including those interested in scholarship, must apply by Jan. 4.

The scholarships will be awarded to only those students who apply for a full-program in architecture, interior architecture or photography. The scholarships do not include materials, transportation or meals. College credit toward a bachelor of science degree program will be awarded to pre-college students.

Applications will be accepted through Jan. 4. Contact your high school art, drafting or home economics teacher, counselor or the LIT Admissions Office at 556-0200, extension 3178.

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- Students and parents receive a precise picture of abilities in the math and verbal areas.
- Students are made aware of special education opportunities designed to facilitate talents.
- Each student has access to a large and regional network operating on behalf of gifted and talented education.

All district students are eligible to participate in the Midwest Talent Search if they meet eligibility requirement, not just DELTA students.

Talent search seeks junior high students

Conducted by Northwestern University and facilitated through Farmington Public Schools' DELTA Department for the gifted, the Midwest Talent Search seeks to identify academically able youngsters at the junior high level.

The search provides direct services to students during the summer and the academic year and a research base on gifted. It acts as a catalyst for positive change in educational institutions.

Students in grades seven and eight who score 95 percent on math

or reading or vocabulary on the Iowa Achievement Test or 95 percent on verbal or quantitative on the Cognitive Abilities Test are eligible to participate.

Letters are sent to parents, and there is a fee of \$27 for the talent search. (\$14 goes to Northwestern and \$13 goes to ETS for the Scholastic Aptitude Test.)

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Educators say fairs make science fun

As today's students prepare for tomorrow's jobs, many will need a solid grounding in the physical and biological sciences.

Science educators believe one way to stimulate a student's interest in science is through the challenge of doing a project for one of the many science fairs around the state.

"I think anybody who's ever asked a question, 'Why does this happen?' is a person who should be working on a science fair project," said Gene Menton, a science teacher at Detroit Country Day School in Birmingham.

Menton, one of the guests on the weekly cable television program, "The Job Show," airing on local cable stations, recalls one former student who disliked science and math as a high school student.

In ninth grade, however, she became fascinated with a science fair project. Today, he said, she is studying biochemistry at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

One of Menton's current students, Lori Stee, was a winner at the 1988 International Science Fair. She advises other students to choose a topic

they find interesting and to have fun with it.

Dennis Dubcek, chemistry director at Lansing's Impressions 5 Science Museum, said teachers have to show students that science can be fun.

"Students have been scared off from science," he said. "They see it as a mysterious area that's beyond their understanding."

Also on "The Job Show," Tim Clinton, a department manager in the Benefits Section at the Michigan Employment Security Commission

(MESCC), discusses a decision by the Michigan Employment Security Board of Review in an 18-year-old appeal. The decision, regarding eligibility for benefits following a 1970 labor dispute, affects 16,000 past and current General Motors workers.

The Board of Review had delayed its final ruling awaiting a decision by the U.S. Supreme Court on a related case. Clinton explains the steps MESCC has taken to contact the workers involved with that decision.

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Registration dates set

Registration dates for Lawrence Institute of Technology's day and baccalaureate programs in architecture, arts and science, engineering and management have been set for Nov. 28-29 from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Students must complete admission procedures before registering for classes.

Lawrence Tech, with almost 5,500 students, has recently added an evening master's degree program in business administration scheduled to begin in March.

For more information about ad-

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