

### Rationale

At N-GENioUS, we recognize that some young people simply need some inspiration and redirection. These students are not deficient in specific subjects, nor do they have major difficulty with “surviving” in school. Instead, these students are not living up to their potential and sometimes lack the tools or motivation to excel in their surroundings.

To address these specific needs, N-GENioUS has developed a series of courses dedicated to help motivate and redirect your child. We offer workshops in such subjects as organization, study and test taking skills, effective communication and preparation classes for middle school and high school students. These programs are specific to each individual student and designed to give immediate feedback to its participants. More importantly, every participant leaves with a plan of action that they can directly implement into their daily lives.

### Course Structure

Afterschool	Summer Program
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting Times: TBD</li> <li>Class Size 1-3 students</li> <li>Duration 2 days a week (1 hour per day)</li> <li>Total Sessions: 8 (8 hours of instruction)</li> <li>Cost: 1 student- \$440, 2 students - \$560, and 3 students \$660</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting Times: TBD</li> <li>Class Size: 3-5 students</li> <li>Duration: 2 weeks – Tues, Wed, and Thursday (2 hours per day)</li> <li>Total Sessions: 4 (8 hours of instruction)</li> <li>Cost: \$240 per class</li> </ul>

### SHIFT Course Topics

Organization	Test Taking
Helps students realize the importance of organization and how it directly impacts their success in school and day-to-day events. Students are shown how to organize themselves in order to keep up and perform well in school and life.	Prepares students to take tests with confidence. Course focuses on test taking techniques, ways to use the test to their advantage, and how to manage their anxiety before and during tests.
Note-Taking	Study Skills
Students are shown how to implement note taking in classes, while assisting them to develop a note-taking style that works for them.	Students develop personalized, applicable study techniques that they can use in the classroom and when studying for upcoming tests.
Middle and High School Preparation	
Helps transitioning or current students manage the essentials of school. Courses focus on key factors and techniques that are essential for “surviving” school. Topics include managing your classes and teachers, how to study, the importance of organization and homework, as well as tips and tricks to be successful in both middle and high school.	

**Program Components**

Organization	Test Taking
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Benefits of organization</li> <li>• Organization in the real world</li> <li>• The “Binder”</li> <li>• Ways to remember</li> <li>• What to do with handouts</li> <li>• Planning for tests</li> <li>• Planning for major projects</li> <li>• Timelines and deadlines</li> <li>• What to keep and what not to</li> <li>• Self discipline</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preparing for tests</li> <li>• Decoding multiple choice and true/false</li> <li>• Short answer and fill in the blank</li> <li>• Looking for clues</li> <li>• Pacing and time management</li> <li>• Essay tests</li> <li>• Managing your anxiety</li> <li>• Making the most of each test</li> <li>• Test taking “No no’s”</li> <li>• Learning from past tests.</li> </ul>
Note-Taking	Study Skills
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information to look for</li> <li>• Active reading and margin notes</li> <li>• Paraphrasing, dividing and organizing</li> <li>• Paying attention</li> <li>• Keeping it simple</li> <li>• Reading your teacher - looking for clues</li> <li>• Making sense of your notes</li> <li>• Turning your notes into study guides</li> <li>• Subject specific notes –math, science, and English</li> <li>• Scanning the chapter</li> <li>• Using your notes to study</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flash cards</li> <li>• Memorization techniques</li> <li>• Pulling out main ideas</li> <li>• Cues and obvious help</li> <li>• Time management</li> <li>• Self discipline</li> <li>• Controlling your environment</li> <li>• Making study aides</li> <li>• Giving yourself time to forget</li> <li>• Studying the correct material</li> <li>• Using notes and handouts to study</li> <li>• Using your textbook correctly</li> </ul>
Middle and High School Preparation	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Setting up your binder</li> <li>• The importance of homework</li> <li>• Study tips overview</li> <li>• Test-taking tips and tricks</li> <li>• Note-taking</li> <li>• Best ways to keep your grades up</li> <li>• Dealing with friends and pressure effectively.</li> <li>• Class behavior – why it is so important</li> <li>• Ways to communicate and get what you deserve</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Talking to your peers</li> <li>• Listening to your teacher</li> <li>• Non-verbal cues</li> <li>• Modeling and setting an example</li> <li>• Public speaking</li> <li>• Switching classes</li> <li>• Breaking down your grades</li> <li>• Prioritizing work load</li> <li>• Changing your academic attitude</li> </ul>