Texas- based Resources for Children and Adolescents:

- A. Kindergarten Students / Elementary School Students
- 1. American Red Cross Courses Free of Charge

http://www.redcross.org/tx/houston/take-a-class/free-courses

2. Caldecott Medal Winners and Honor Books

http://www.ala.org/alsc/awardsgrants/bookmedia/caldecottmedal/caldecottmedal

3. City of Houston - Free Tennis Class for Children

http://houstonyouthtennis.camp7.org/

4. City of Houston - Free Swimming Classes (H2O Safe) for Children

http://www.houstontx.gov/parks/aquatics/

5. City of Houston – The Mayor's Back 2 School Fest (free school supplies)

http://www.mayorsbacktoschoolfesthouston.org/

6. Discovery Green – Young Writers Workshop for Kindergarten to 3rd Grade students (free admission)

http://www.discoverygreen.com/1144115

7. Harris County Public Library – Summer Reading Program

http://www.hcpl.net/category/branches/summer-reading-program

8. Houston Children's Museum – FutureVet Program

http://www.banfield.com/about-us/community/futurevet

http://www.cmhouston.org/event/futurevet-workshop-childrens-museum-houston

9. Houston Museum District (free admission time)

http://houstonmuseumdistrict.org/free-admission-times/

10. Houston Parks and Recreation Department – Healthy Kids Houston (free program)

http://www.houstontx.gov/parks/healthykids.html

11. Houston Public Library – Summer Reading Program

http://houstonlibrary.org/summer

12. Kids Triathlon – 7 Week Training Programs & Hands-On Clinics (free program)

http://www.kidstriathloninc.org/free-training-programs.html

13. National Society for Black Engineers – Summer Engineering Experience for Kids (free program)

https://www.nsbe.org/seek.aspx

14. Progressive Phonics

http://www.progressivephonics.com/

15. Schools and Programs for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Students in the United States

https://www.gallaudet.edu/clerc_center/information_and_resources/info_to_go/resources/websites_of_schools_and_programs_for_deaf_students_.html

16. The First Tee of Greater Houston - Free Golf Course for Children (\$30 annual membership fee)

http://www.thefirstteegreaterhouston.org/club/scripts/public/public.asp

17. The National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) - Accreditation of Programs for Young Children

http://www.naeyc.org/accreditation/search

18. Workforce Solutions – Financial Aid for Child Care

 $\underline{\text{http://www.wrksolutions.com/for-individuals/financial-aid-support/financial-aid-for-child-care}$

B. Free Animated Story Books

1. TumbleBook Library – animated story books in English, Spanish, and French for Kindergarten to 7th Grade students

Please click on the TumbleBook Library picture at very top. You should see another webpage pop up. Click on "Story Books" in the top left hand corner. There will be a lot of picture books.

http://www.schlowlibrary.org/beyond-books/tumblebooks

2. Inkless Tales – Animated Stories and Poems

http://www.inklesstales.com/stories/

3. British Council – short stories

http://learnenglishkids.britishcouncil.org/en/short-stories/dinosaurs-dig?page=0%2C0%2C0%2C0%2C0

4. Mighty Book – 8 animated stories

http://www.mightybook.com/story_books.html

5. Fables from Aesop

http://www.penguin.com/static/packages/us/yreaders/aesop/index.php

6. Starfall stories

http://www.starfall.com/n/level-c/fiction-nonfiction/play.htm?f

http://www.starfall.com/n/level-c/folk-tales/load.htm?f

http://www.starfall.com/n/level-c/greek-myths/load.htm?f

http://www.starfall.com/n/level-c/chinese-fables/load.htm?f

7. RIF Reading Planet

http://www.rif.org/kids/readingplanet/bookzone/read_aloud_stories.htm

8.	Sill	yB	00	ks

http://www.sillybooks.net/page_two.htm

http://www.sillybooks.net/page_three.htm

http://www.sillybooks.net/page_four.htm

http://www.sillybooks.net/page_five.htm

9. Stories from BBC Broadcast

 $\frac{http://www.bbc.co.uk/learning/schoolradio/subjects/english/jack_and_the_giant_beanstal}{\underline{k}}$

10. Fairy Tale Land

 $\underline{http://www.lancsngfl.ac.uk/curriculum/literacy/lit_site/html/fiction/fairytale2/fairytale.ht}$ \underline{m}

11. Pre-School library

http://www.storyplace.org/preschool/other.asp

12. Bookbox – Please download pdf and mp3 from this webpage

http://www.bookbox.com/free-stuff/pdfs

http://www.bookbox.com/free-stuff/mp3

13. Scholastic Clifford Interactive Storybooks

http://teacher.scholastic.com/clifford1/

14. Kiz Club

http://www.kizclub.com/reading1.htm

15. Toy Box Productions Free On line Library

http://www.crttoybox.com/FreeOnlineChildrensBooks.html

16. ZiggityZoom Stories

http://www.ziggityzoom.com/stories.php

17. Myths and Legends

http://myths.e2bn.org/mythsandlegends/

18. Loosey Goosey Rhymes

http://www.tvokids.com/games/looseygooseyrhymes

19. Oxford Owl – 250 Free eBooks (Please register before you read e-books.)

http://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/welcome/for-home/reading-owl/find-a-book

20. Lil' Fingers Online Story Books

http://www.lil-

 $\frac{fingers.com/storybooks/index.php?_hstc=38046780.ab9431a72510a1fcb30d99d44e027}{69a.1396462181599.1396462181599.1396462181599.1\&_hssc=38046780.6.13964621}{81599\&_hsfp=3825133826}$

21. International Children's Digital Library – Children Books in different languages

http://en.childrenslibrary.org/

22. Beantime Stories

 $\frac{\text{http://www.meddybemps.com/5.1.html?} \underline{\quad \text{hstc=38046780.ab9431a72510a1fcb30d99d44}}{\text{e02769a.1396462181599.1396462181599.1396462181599.1\&} \underline{\quad \text{hssc=38046780.12.1396462181599}} \underline{\quad \text{hsfp=3825133826}}$

C. Middle School Students

1. Astro Urban Youth Academy – Free Summer Baseball & Softball league

http://houston.astros.mlb.com/hou/community/uya_baseball_softball.jsp

2. Baylor College of Medicine – Saturday Morning Science (For 7th to 12th Grade students, \$40.00 registration fee, tuition free, and breakfast will be provided)

https://www.bcm.edu/education/schools/medical-school/diversity-and-community-outreach/programs/saturday-morning-science

3. Bayou Bend Summer History Camp -7^{th} Grade and 8^{th} Grade students are eligible to apply (tuition free)

http://www.americanheritage.org/Bayou_Bend_History_Camp_Flyer.pdf

4. Breakthrough Houston – Enrichment Program for Middle School and High School Students (tuition free)

 $\underline{http://breakthroughhouston.org/wp\text{-}content/uploads/2011/06/2015\text{-}student\text{-}application-english1.pdf}$

5. City of Houston (Houston Parks and Recreation Department) – After-School Enrichment Program (free program)

http://www.houstontx.gov/parks/pdfs/CommunityCenter/2014/After-SchoolEnrichmentProgram.pdf

6. CK-12 Education

http://www.ck12.org/student/

7. Houston Scholar Program

http://houstonscholar.org/

8. Houston Soccer for Success Program (free program)

http://www.ussoccerfoundation.org/our-programs/soccer-for-success

https://www.facebook.com/HoustonSFS

9. Jack Kent Cooke Foundation – Young Scholars Program

http://www.jkcf.org/scholarship-programs/young-scholars/

10. Kinkaid School – The Kinkaid Engineering, Math & Science Institute for Houston area public school students (summer program, tuition free, 8th Grade students in Houston area are eligible to apply)

http://www.kinkaid.org/page.cfm?p=313

11. National Society of Black Engineers – Summer Engineering Experience for Kids (summer program, tuition free)

http://www.nsbe.org/seek.aspx

12. Newbery Medal and Honor Books

http://www.ala.org/alsc/awardsgrants/bookmedia/newberymedal/newberymedal

13. Rice University – Schlumberger Rice Computer Engineering Design Academy for Middle School Girls (summer program, girls attending 8th Grade after the summers are eligible, tuition free)

http://www.rstem.rice.edu/#!computer-engineering-design-academy/ccvk

14. The Greater Houston Teen Book Convention

http://www.teenbookcon.org/

15. The Harris Foundation – Summer Science Camp (tuition free)

http://www.theharrisfoundation.org/sitecontent/565/summer-science-camp/category/457/education.aspx

16. The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston – Free Admission on Thursday

http://www.mfah.org/visit/visiting-mfah-free/

17. Writers in the Schools – Free Writing Workshops + Slams

http://witshouston.org/programs/performance/

D. High School Students

Part 1 – Awards Program

1. Alliance/Merck Ciencia (Science) Hispanic Scholars Program

https://www.alliancescholars.org/applications/

2. National Academy of Future Physicians and Medical Scientists

http://www.futuredocs.com/

3. National Art Honor Society

http://www.arteducators.org/community/nahs

4. National High School scholar-Athlete Awards

 $\frac{http://www.footballfoundation.org/Programs/ScholarAthletes/NationalHighSchoolScholarAthletes/NationalHig$

5. National Honor Society

http://www.nhs.us/

6. National Teen Leadership Program

http://www.ntlp.org/

7. National Youngarts Foundation – U.S. Presidential Scholars in the Arts

http://www.youngarts.org/us-presidential-scholars-arts

http://www.youngarts.org/apply

8. Texas High School Aerospace Scholars

http://has.aerospacescholars.org/

9. Texas Music Educators Association - Texas Music Scholars

http://www.tmea.org/programs/tms

10. Texas Scholar Award

http://www.texasscholaraward.com/

11. The Gates Millennium Scholars

https://www.gmsp.org/

12. The Miss High School America Scholarship Pageant

http://www.americashighschoolpageant.com/miss_high_school_america.php

13. The National Society of High School Scholars

http://www.nshss.org/

14. The President's Volunteer Service Award

http://www.presidentialserviceawards.gov/

15. U.S. Presidential Scholars Program

http://www2.ed.gov/programs/psp/index.html

16. NFIB Young Entrepreneur Awards Program

http://www.nfib.com/foundations/yef/yef-programs/young-entrepreneur-awards/

17. Sociedad Honoraria Hispánica (Spanish National Honor Society)

http://www.aatsp.org/?page=SHHoverview

Part 2 - College and Career Mentor Program

1. Defense Health Agency – Medical Education & Training

http://www.metc.mil/

2. Graduation Game Plan – Free College Planning and Mentoring

http://graduationgameplan.org/

3. Houston Zoo, Inc. – Job Shadow Program for High School Students

 $\frac{http://www.houstonzoo.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/10/Job-Shadow-Program-Description 2.pdf}{}$

4. Index of American Universities

http://www.clas.ufl.edu/au/

5. QuestBridge College Prep Scholarship – for low-income high school juniors

http://www.questbridge.org/for-students/cps-college-prep-scholarship

6. Schools Which Require or Recommend SAT II Tests

http://www.montclair.k12.nj.us/WebPageFiles/375/special_sat2.pdf

7. U.S. Department of Labor – Job Corps (career technical training and education program – free program)

https://recruiting.jobcorps.gov/

https://recruiting.jobcorps.gov/Home/Information

8. Virtual University Tours

http://www.youvisit.com/virtual-university-tours

9. YouthBuild Houston – A SER-Jobs for Progress Program

http://www.serhouston.org/youthbuild-houston

Part 3 – Free Online Learning

1. CK-12 Education

http://www.ck12.org/student/

2. Khan Academy

https://www.khanacademy.org/

3. Khan Academy - Free SAT Prep

https://www.khanacademy.org/sat

4. Learn to Type Free

http://www.typing.com/

5. Microsoft Office Training and Tutorials

 $\frac{\text{https://support.office.com/en-us/article/Office-training-and-tutorials-b8f02f81-ec85-4493-a39b-4c48e6bc4bfb?legRedir=true&CorrelationId=b5958696-a887-45ac-b6a3-75bda2f02fe9&ui=en-US&rs=en-US&ad=US$

6. Sparknotes

http://www.sparknotes.com/sparknotes/

Part 4 - Regular Program

1. Baylor College of Medicine – Saturday Morning Science 2 (For 7th to 12th Grade students, \$40.00 registration fee, tuition free, and breakfast will be provided)

 $\frac{https://www.bcm.edu/education/schools/medical-school/diversity-and-community-outreach/programs/sms-2}{}$

2. Breakthrough Houston – Enrichment Program for Middle School and High School Students (tuition free)

http://breakthroughhouston.org/history/

3. Fort Bend Public Library - Free SAT Practice Test

http://www.yourhoustonnews.com/fort_bend/news/free-sat-practice-tests-offered-at-fort-bend-county-libraries/article 7f239056-5c36-11e2-8642-001a4bcf887a.html

4. Home Depot – Free Weekly Workshops & Home Improvement Workshop

http://workshops.homedepot.com/workshops/home

5. Rice University Glasscock School of Continuing Studies – AP Exam Review

(\$30 per subject)

http://collegeready.rice.edu/ap-exam-review

6. Texas Tech University – Clark Scholars Program (tuition free, \$750 tax-free stipend, and free room and board)

http://www.depts.ttu.edu/honors/academicsandenrichment/affiliatedandhighschool/clarks/index.php

7. University of North Texas – Texas Academy of Mathematics and Science (tuition free)

The Texas Academy of Mathematics and Science (TAMS) is a residential program located at the University of North Texas in Denton that is focused on students who wish to pursue a career in mathematics, science, or engineering. The program admits up to 200 students every year from public and private high schools from across Texas. After two years (four semesters) at TAMS, students graduate with a high school diploma and about 60 college credits - which may be enough to start the college junior year at UNT or other universities.

http://tams.unt.edu/

Part 5 – Summer Program

1. Asian American Journalists Association – JCamp (summer camp, tuition free, travel, meals and lodging covered by Asian American Journalists Association's Partners)

http://www.aaja.org/jcamp2014/

2. Carnegie Mellon University – Summer Academy for Math and Science (tuition free)

http://admission.enrollment.cmu.edu/pages/diversity-sams

3. Dr. Ronald E. McNair Dreme Foundation – Summer Stem Youth Academy (tuition free)

http://dremefoundation.org/science-literacy-camp-2/dreme-summer-camp-student-information/

4. High School Workshop in Experimental Economics (tuition free, travel scholarship available for students to apply)

http://www.chapman.edu/research-and-institutions/economic-science-institute/conferences-and-workshops/high-school-workshop.aspx

5. Iowa State University – Carver Summer Research Internship Program

http://www.diversity.cals.iastate.edu/gwc

6. Lamar University – Texas Governor's School (tuition free)

http://education.lamar.edu/texas-governors-school/

7. LEDA Scholars Program (summer program, tuition free)

http://www.ledascholars.org/program/the-leda-scholars-program/

8. Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) – Minority Introduction to Engineering and Science (tuition free)

http://oeop.mit.edu/programs/mites/program-details

9. Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) – Office of Engineering Outreach Programs (tuition free)

http://mitesapp.mit.edu/

10. Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) – Research Science Institute (tuition free)

http://www.cee.org/research-science-institute

11. Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) – TOPS high school physics workshop (tuition free)

http://cuaweb.mit.edu/Pages/TopsSection/ActivitiesAndSchedule.aspx?TopsSectionId=6

12. National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases – Short-Term Research Experience for Underrepresented Persons (tuition free)

http://www.niddk.nih.gov/research-funding/process/diversity/research%20and-training-for-students/short-term-research-experience-underrepresented-persons/Pages/default.aspx

13. NSLI For Youth Scholarships to Study Language Abroad (tuition free)

http://www.nsliforyouth.org/

14. Rice University – Energy Explorations Academy (summer program, tuition free)

http://www.rstem.rice.edu/#!schlumberger-energy-explorations-academy/c1rb

15. The Rockefeller University – Summer Science Research Program (tuition free)

http://www.rockefeller.edu/outreach/summer_science

16. Roswell Park Cancer Institute – Summer Cancer Research Experience Program for High School Students (tuition free)

https://www.roswellpark.edu/education/summer-programs/high-school-students

17. Society for the Performing Arts – Arts Education Internship for High School Students

http://www.spahouston.org/education/student-programs

18. St. Mary's University at San Antonio – Pre-engineering Robotics and Java Programming Summer Program (tuition free)

https://www.stmarytx.edu/academics/set/outreach-programs/prep/

19. Summer Program for Juniors - Telluride Association Summer Program (tuition free, \$500 stipend available)

http://www.tellurideassociation.org/programs/high_school_students/tasp/tasp_general_info.html

20. Telluride Association – Sophomore Seminar (tuition free)

http://www.tellurideassociation.org/programs/high_school_students/tass/tass_general_info.html

21. Texas A&M University Governor's School in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (tuition free)

http://governorschool.tamu.edu/application.html

22. Texas A&M University – Summer Mathematics Research Training High School Camp (tuition free)

http://www.math.tamu.edu/outreach/Camp/

23. The Aspen Institute – Bezos Scholars Program (tuition free)

http://www.bezosfamilyfoundation.org/scholars

24. The Jackson Laboratory – Summer Student Program (free program, \$4,500 stipend)

http://education.jax.org/summerstudent/index.html

25. The Louis August Jonas Foundation – Rising Sun Program (tuition free)

http://www.lajf.org/overview.cfm

26. The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center – High School Summer Program (tuition free)

http://www.mdanderson.org/education-and-research/education-and-training/schools-and-programs/summer-science-programs/high-school-program/high-school-summer-program.html

27. The University of Utah – Bioscience Summer Research Program for High School Students (tuition free)

http://www.biology.utah.edu/undergraduate/research/hsprog.php

28. Tyler Junior College – Surveying & Mapping Camp (tuition free)

http://www.tjc.edu/info/2004134/professional_and_technical_programs/191/surveying_a_nd_mapping_technology/3

29. University of Chicago – Young Scholars Program (tuition free)

http://www.math.uchicago.edu/ysp/

30. University of Houston Cullen College of Engineering – GRADE Camp for Girls (tuition free)

https://www.egr.uh.edu/grade/about

31. University of Houston Downtown – Houston Pre-Freshman Enrichment Program (tuition free)

 $\underline{https://www.uhd.edu/academics/sciences/outreach/houston-prep/Pages/hou-prep-index.aspx}$

32. University of Texas at Austin McCombs School of Business – The Academy for Rising Leaders (tuition free)

https://www.mccombs.utexas.edu/Centers/Hispanic-Leadership-Initiative/Subiendo

33. University of Houston Bauer College of Business – Business Summer Camps for High School Students (tuition free)

http://www.bauer.uh.edu/prospective/undergraduates/summer-camp.php

34. UTMB – High School Summer Research Program (tuition free)

http://www.utmb.edu/oeo/students/srp.asp

35. Welch Summer Scholar Program (free program)

http://www.wssptx.com/

36. Workshop Houston – Summer Leadership Institute (free program)

http://www.workshophouston.org/programs-2/summer-leadership-institute/

E. New Immigrants

1. Houston Public Library – Free Computer Class

http://houstonlibrary.org/learn-explore/computer-classes

2. Harris County of Education - Adult basic literacy and math skills, GED, and English as a Second Language (tuition free)

http://www.hcde-texas.org/default.aspx?name=010.home

3. Houston Community College – Adult Education and Literacy Program GED and English as a Second Language (tuition free, registration fee: \$25)

http://www.hccs.edu/adult-education/take-a-ged-or-esl-class/

4. Houston Community College – Community Based Job Training Program (tuition free, registration fee: \$120.00)

http://www.hccs.edu/adult-education/community-based-job-training/

5. Kentucky Fried Chicken Foundation – High School Equivalency Program

http://www.kfc.com/foundation/reach-high/

6. Literacy Advance of Houston – Adult Basic Education (ABE), and English as a Second Language (tuition free)

http://www.literacyadvance.org/Take_Classes/

7. Starbucks College Achievement Plan

http://www.starbucks.com/careers/college-plan

F. Scholarship Information

1. 100 Free College Rides You Don't Need Daddy to Pay For

http://www.advantageedu.com/blog/2008/100-free-college-rides-you-dont-need-daddy-to-pay-for/

2. College offering free tuition based on family income

http://www.cfisd.net/files/8814/2479/0903/Free_College_Tuition.pdf

3. Freshman Admission Requirements Tuition Guarantee Programs

http://www.houstonisd.org/cms/lib2/TX01001591/Centricity/Domain/27541/Free%20Tuition%20and%20Admission.pdf

4. Go to College for free!

http://www.woodrowwildcats.org/files/9913/5896/7527/2012TXCollegesFreeTuition.pdf

5. Katy ISD – Scholarship Information

http://www.katyisd.org/campus/THS/Documents/Scholarships_and_Awards_Deadline_Bulletin.pdf

6. Questbridge - Scholarship for low-income students

http://www.questbridge.org/

G. Other Programs / Resources

1. Houston Independent School District – Free summer meals for all children ages 1-18

http://www.houstonisd.org/freesummermeals

2. WIC – Women, Infants, and Children Program

http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/wichd/

3. How to Get Help (CHIP / Medicaid / Food Stamps etc.)

http://yourtexasbenefits.hhsc.state.tx.us/

4. Houston Family Magazine

http://www.houstonfamilymagazine.com/

5. Houston on the Cheap

http://www.houstononthecheap.com/

6. Houston Low Income Clinics

http://www.basgh.us/Health/Docs/Houston_Clinics_Listing.pdf

7. Greater Houston Area Low Cost Dental Care

https://www.h-gac.com/human-services/aging/documents/Dental_Assistance.pdf

8. Texas Tuition Promise Fund (529 College Savings Plan)

https://www.texastuitionpromisefund.com/

9. Comcast – Affordable Internet (\$9.95 + Tax per month) and Low-Cost Computer (\$149.99 + Tax)

http://www.internetessentials.com/