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Education and exploration

• Children at Milligan arts camp learn while having fun.

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MILLIGAN COLLEGE — Sarah Greer squealed with delight Monday as she squeezed plaster of Paris into a clay m

"I feel like I'm squeezing out icing," she said, only to follow it seconds later with, "Eew, I got it on my finger!"

Getting a little dirty while creating a miniature piece of art was all part of the fun as Greer fashioned a ornamental pl

Throughout the week, 85 kids from across the region get to dive into the arts by learning about music, drama, literat

While Monday was just the first day of the camp, Greer, who was attending the camp for the first time, said making

"But I'm sure swimming will also be a big hit," she said.

The camp was just one part of a special spotlight on fine arts this week at Milligan College. In addition to the camp, Summer Academy — a program designed to cultivate talents while earning dual-enrollment college credit.

For more than 20 years, the arts camp has been a way for kids to get an education in the arts while also exploring t

Children go through six classes a day beginning at 8:30 a.m. Classes include art, music, drama, team-building and c

"The children are able to experience a safe and just a beautiful atmosphere with caring teachers and a wonderful st

Part of the camp's success, according to Hertzog, has been the faculty and staff who have helped with the camp th

Each year, the camp is led under a different theme. "Bringing Lines to Life" was the theme for this year's activities, a

"The students are exploring how lines are used in each of the arts. For instance, an artist might use a line concept in different ways that lines are used in each of the arts," he said.

The camp also acts as way for children to start thinking about what college they might want to attend. After one day deal.

"I like the cafeteria," she said. "It has a lot of different places that you can eat. It's like a buffet, except everything st

While the food was top-notch, Kate Flynn said the activities on the campus were also a nice addition.

"I like being around all the teachers and it's fun to around everything Milligan has," she said.

Her mother, Jana Flynn, was just happy to hear that her daughter was thinking of staying close to home, even if Kat

"My husband had told her her whole life that she had to stay close to home, cause her parents would be old and nee
day in Milligan's art camp and came home and said, 'I'll stay close to home, but I'm not going to ETSU. I'm going to Mil