In 2014, we extended the Art 2 Science Camp to a Lansing location for a 4-day version of the camp. JINA partnered with Next Young Phenom, Inc to hold a camp for 45 underprivileged students, ages 10-14, at the Union Missionary Baptist Church. Community volunteers and MSU students were both vital to this trial expansion. The students were divided into groups by age and rotated through 18 different hands-on activities that combined art, science, and math. They also carried observation notebooks with them throughout the week to record their thoughts and impressions about the activities. Campers also spent an entire day at MSU, which began at the planetarium, continued at the Broad Art Museum, and wrapping up with a tour and activities at the National Superconducting Cyclotron Laboratory. Feedback through surveys from students and activity leaders were overall positive.

Parent feedback: “She didn’t want to come on the first day, and thought it would be too long. That second morning, she beat me to the car, ready for camp.”