



August 15, 2017

Dear Administrator and Educators,

We are pleased and excited to extend an invitation to any female student in the 6th to 10th grade to attend the Inquire! Innovate! Invent! Day which will be held at The University of Akron on Saturday, October 21st, 2017! At this event, we strive to give students the necessary knowledge, self-confidence and motivation to pursue a career in the exciting and diverse field of engineering while also giving them a first-hand look the creativity involved in innovation and inventing at The University of Akron.

The program is designed to teach girls how the innovations of women have impacted many lives and how they can become innovators and inventors themselves. Check-in and breakfast begins at 8 a.m. and the program runs from 8:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. with lunch included. This is an opportunity to talk to female engineers and scientists, meet inventors, learn about patent law, explore careers in research and development, and explore the creative side of innovation while working hand in hand with science and getting the opportunity to participate in fun, creative, design and build activities. Participants will also do a service project that will help younger girls learn about science and engineering. All participants will receive a bag and a fun patch. A light breakfast and lunch are included in the day's events. The program is held at the Student Union at The University of Akron. The cost is \$20 for each child and \$9 for each adult and registration is limited and often closes prior to the registration deadline. We have space for 300 girls and will consider a scholarship for any student who demonstrates financial need. If you know of such a student or students, we ask that a school administrator contact us directly to arrange aid.

We ask for your support in encouraging exceptional and deserving young ladies who may be interested in this opportunity. Enclosed is the form necessary for parents/guardians and potential participants to complete. Please make as many copies of the enclosed form as needed to distribute to interested students. Additional forms and information can also be printed from our website www.uakron.edu/wiep/ and by clicking on the "K-12 Programs" tab. It is essential that the enclosed registration form is completely filled out and payment received by October 1st, 2017 to guarantee a space. No registrations are accepted at the event.

If you, parents/ guardians, and/or students have any questions, or require additional information, please don't hesitate to contact me at 330-972-7701 or e-mail wiep@uakron.edu. We look forward to hearing from your students!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Heidi Cressman".

Heidi Cressman
Director, Women in Engineering Program

Enclosures



Saturday, October 21, 2017

8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

**The University of Akron
Student Union**

What to expect:

- All participants will receive a bag and a fun patch.
- A light breakfast is included.
- A campus map and information on free parking will be sent to you when we receive your registration.
- Photo releases for each registered participant will be e-mailed prior to the event and must be returned on the day of the event.
- Space is limited. Registrations will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis.

**The
University
of Akron**

Women in Engineering Program

Spark your creative side by taking part in this event for girls in grades 6 - 12 or Cadette, Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts. The program is designed to teach girls about the impact of innovations of women and inspire them to become inventors, too!

Interactive and innovative workshops will showcase women inventors and involve the girls in projects that relate to occupations in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM).

Mail registration and payment to:

Inquire! Innovate! Invent! The University of Akron Women in Engineering Program, Akron, OH 44325-3901

or e-mail to hec9@uakron.edu and pay by credit card at www.uakron.edu/wie/. Click on "K-12 programs" to access links to paperwork and to pay online.

Registration Form

Due by October 1, 2017

Program runs 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.; registration begins at 8 a.m. **All children or groups of children must attend with an adult supervisor.**

Parent/guardian/troop leader name _____

Note: If you are registering a Girl Scout Troop or other group, please list names of extra girls on a separate sheet.

Troop number (if applicable) _____ Troop Level (circle one): Cadette Senior Ambassador

Number of girls attending: _____ X \$20* = _____

Number of adults attending: _____ X \$9* = _____

Names of girls attending:

1. _____	grade: _____	6. _____	grade: _____
2. _____	grade: _____	7. _____	grade: _____
3. _____	grade: _____	8. _____	grade: _____
4. _____	grade: _____	9. _____	grade: _____
5. _____	grade: _____	10. _____	grade: _____

Troop Leader/Adult Address _____

City/State/ZIP _____

Contact email _____ Contact phone _____

* There is a registration fee of \$20 per child to cover part of the program costs and \$9 for adults to cover food. Refunds will not be issued.