

# STEM Mentoring Academy Program

## Program Overview:

The STEM Mentoring Academy, offered by the staff of STEM Advancement Inc, is designed to provide participating student with monthly STEM-related activities, hands-on learning experiences, and academic engagement. The purpose of the program is to expose the participating student to various aspects of STEM disciplines while supporting their academic journey through personalized mentorship. College and career mentoring will also be provided to guide students towards their future educational and professional goals.

## Program Structure:

- **Monthly STEM Activities:** Four hours of assigned activities every month.
- **STEM Academic Assignments:** Activities designed to enhance STEM knowledge and practical problem-solving skills.
- **College and Career Mentorship:** Personalized advice on academic planning, course selection, college applications, and career preparation.
- **Optional Enrichment Opportunities:** Participating student may choose to participate in additional activities if time permits.
- **STEM Equipment:** Periodically, participating student will receive STEM-related tools and materials that they can keep.
- **A Certificate** each academic year certifying participation in the program will be given.

## Participating Student Eligibility Requirements:

1. **Entry Grade Level:** 7th - 11th grade student.
2. **Academic Standing:** A minimum "B" grade point average with no "D" or "F" grades.
3. **Behavior:** Demonstrates acceptable behavior aligned with program standards.

## Program Fee:

- The monthly program fee is **\$25**, payable in six-month increments starting after the first three months.
- Participating student may discontinue participation at any time, but **no refunds** will be provided for prior payments.

## Commitment:

- Participating student is required to respond monthly to assigned activities.
- Each monthly effort is estimated to require four hours of participation.
- Participation ensures continued access to both STEM activities and mentorship opportunities.

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## Participant Information (PLEASE PRINT):

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade** \_\_\_\_ **Gender** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Information (PLEASE PRINT):**

**Parent Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Address, City, ST, Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Consent:**

I agree that \_\_\_\_\_ {student} can participate in the STEM Mentoring Academy program on a monthly basis as stated above.

**Print Parent Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Teacher Recommendation:**

I confirm that the above-named student meets the requirements, as stated above, for participation in the STEM Mentoring Academy program.

**Print Teacher Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Teacher Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**STEM Advancement Inc Approval:**

**Print:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

This program aligns with STEM Advancement Inc’s mission of fostering STEM education and providing employable skills through hands-on learning and mentorship. The STEM Mentoring Academy offers a unique opportunity for students to grow academically, explore potential careers, and receive guidance for future success.

Please have the student complete the attached survey and return it with this application.