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Student Application



Congratulations! You have been nominated to attend the AAUW California Tech Trek Program (“Tech Trek”)—an exciting week-long summer camp focused on science, technology, engineering and math (STEM), for girls going into eighth grade. You will have the option of attending an in-person camp located on a college/university campus or participating in a virtual camp. Your parent(s)/guardian(s) will indicate your selection on the Parent Certification Form which they will receive via email.

In-Person Camp: **Date**

Virtual Camp Date: **Virtual Camp Date**

We are looking for girls just like you who are excited about science and math! Learn more about the program at <https://aauw-ca.org/tech-trek/>.

Your branch coordinator may provide different dates but please submit your application no later than February 28.

Camper Information

Legal Name of Applicant: _____

Birthdate (MM/DD/YYYY): _____ Current Age: _____

School Name: Who _____ Current Grade: _____

Permanent Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ County: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Applicant Phone Numbers: Home () _____ Cell () _____

Email Address: _____

T-Shirt Size (Unisex Adult) ☐ X-Small ☐ Small ☐ Medium ☐ Large ☐ X-Large ☐ XX-Large ☐ XXX-Large

Application questions:

What are your favorite subjects in school? _____

What interests you about attending Tech Trek? (Please be as detailed as possible, use additional pages if needed.)

Have you participated in a science fair or other activity, such as Odyssey of the Mind, Math Counts, Science Olympiad, etc., or any other math or science competitions? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please describe your project or other activity: _____

Have you ever built a robot or participated on a robotics team? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Have you ever programmed computer code or a computer game? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, what programs did you use? _____

How long was the class? _____ Did you create your own app? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If you did not create your own app, would you be interested in doing that? ☐ Yes ☐ No

List any extracurricular school or community activities you participated in this year (e.g., student council, science club, choir, sports, dance, hobbies, etc.)

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Will you attend other camps this summer? If yes, please list their names and dates.

Please write a 400-500 word essay on how you would use math and/or science to make the world a better place.

NOTE: All Tech Trek campers are expected to be ambassadors for the AAUW National Tech Trek Program. This includes keeping a daily journal of experiences while at camp and making presentations about the camp to AAUW branches and members, school and/or community groups when you return home. I agree to act in this role to the best of my ability: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Parent/Guardian Contact Information

Name of Custodial Parent or Guardian: _____

Phone Numbers: Home (XXX-XXX-XXXX) _____

Work (XXX-XXX-XXXX) _____ Cell (XXX-XXX-XXXX) _____

Email address: _____

Preferred communication(s): ☐ Home phone ☐ Work phone ☐ Cell phone ☐ Text ☐ Email

Name of second Parent or Guardian: _____

Phone Numbers: Home (XXX-XXX-XXXX) _____

Work (XXX-XXX-XXXX) _____ Cell (XXX-XXX-XXXX) _____

Email address: _____

Preferred communication(s): ☐ Home phone ☐ Work phone ☐ Cell phone ☐ Text ☐ Email

Mailing Address of Parent/Guardian if different from applicant (please designate which parent):

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

(Personal information will ONLY be used to contact you regarding Tech Trek and is never shared, published or distributed. Email messages are sent to all addresses given; please check often).

Note: Campers and camp alternates are notified of their acceptance to Tech Trek by early April.

APPLICATION IS DUE NO LATER THAN February 28, 2022

Note: This opportunity includes all students who identify as female.

TECH TREK AMERICANS WITH DISABILITY ACT ACCOMMODATION POLICY

I. POLICY

All AAUW Tech Trek programs are produced and sponsored by local AAUW affiliates and are not produced or sponsored by the national AAUW organization. All Tech Trek programs are committed to the principles of equal access and opportunity for persons with disabilities in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (“ADA”) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and their applicable state law counterparts. Tech Trek does not discriminate on the basis of disability against any qualified person with a disability in regard to application, acceptance, attendance, or other aspect of a girl’s participation in Tech Trek.

The AAUW Tech Trek ADA Accommodation Policy describes an interactive relationship between the camper, parents, local Tech Trek administrators and the AAUW national organization. At every AAUW Tech Trek site, Tech Trek staff will make a reasonable accommodation for a qualified person with a disability to allow the performance of the essential requirements of Tech Trek. If an accommodation alters the nature of the program or would result in undue hardship to AAUW Tech Trek or the College/University where the camp is held or threatens the health and safety of the student with a disability or other persons, then AAUW Tech Trek staff will not make that accommodation.

Therefore, so that participants and AAUW Tech Trek staff can successfully communicate and determine what, if any, reasonable accommodation is requested and can be made at the site, a parent or legal guardian must complete the attached Health History and Consent Form (“Consent Form”) and submit the completed Consent Form to the site Camp Director (whose name and contact information is identified in the welcome letter of this application packet) **NO LATER THAN TWO WEEKS BEFORE THE CAMP START DATE.** For purposes of identifying the date a parent or guardian submits the Consent Form, if sent via U.S. Mail or Overnight Delivery, the Consent Form must be post-marked by the carrier no later than two weeks before the camp start date, and if sent via e-mail, the e-mail date stamp must be dated no later than two weeks before the camp start date.

IF THE CONSENT FORM IS NOT COMPLETED AND PROVIDED TO THE SITE CAMP DIRECTLY AT LEAST TWO WEEKS BEFORE THE CAMP START DATE, THE CAMPER WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ATTEND TECH TREK.

II. DEFINITIONS

A. Disability

According to the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA), a disability is 1) a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more of the major life activities of the individual; 2) a record of such an impairment; or 3) being regarded as having such an impairment.

Specific examples of physical impairments include orthopedic, visual, speech, and hearing impairments, cerebral palsy, epilepsy, muscular dystrophy, multiple sclerosis, cancer, heart disease, diabetes, HIV, TB, drug addiction, and alcoholism. Simple physical characteristics such as the color of one’s eyes, hair, or skin; baldness; left-handedness; pregnancy; or age do not constitute physical impairments.

Examples of mental impairments include mental retardation, organic brain syndrome, emotional or mental illness, and specific learning disabilities. Common personality traits such as poor judgment or a quick temper, where these are not symptoms of a mental or psychological disorder, are not disabilities covered by the ADA.

Even if a condition is an impairment, it is not automatically a disability. To rise to the level of a disability, an impairment must substantially limit one or more major life activities. Major life activities include such activities as caring for one’s

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self, performing manual tasks, walking, seeing, hearing, speaking, breathing, learning, and working. The major life activities limited by mental impairments differ from person to person. For some people, mental impairments restrict major life activities such as learning, thinking, or communicating.

B. Qualified Person with a Disability

For purposes of being a participant camper in a program, a qualified person is one who can satisfy the essential eligibility requirements for participation with or without reasonable accommodations.

C. Reasonable Accommodation
Accommodations are wide-ranging and necessary to minimize the functional limitations of the individual with a disability with regards to participation in programs with the AAUW. "Reasonable accommodation" is considered to be those accommodations that are readily achievable and do not pose an undue hardship on the organization or do not alter the fundamental purpose or intent of the service.

D. Undue Hardship

Tech Trek will make a reasonable accommodation to a qualified individual with a disability unless doing so would impose an undue hardship on the operation of its business, which includes the Tech Trek program. Undue hardship means an action that requires significant difficulty or expense when considered in relation to factors such as a business' size, financial resources, and the nature and structure of its operation. The size of the organization and its budget are only two factors that determine what is reasonable.

III. PARENT/GUARDIAN DISCLOSURE AND SERVICE ACCOMMODATION

Communication and full disclosure of any disability is critically important for the safety and enjoyment of Tech Trek by each participant. If a participant camper requests a reasonable accommodation for a disability, it is imperative that her parent or legal guardian completely disclose, sufficiently in advance of the start of camp as described above, any physical or mental conditions and related requests for accommodation. Therefore, a parent or legal guardian must complete and provide the attached Health History and Consent Form to the site Camp Director (name and contact information provided in the welcome letter of this application packet) **NO LATER THAN TWO WEEKS BEFORE CAMP START DATE.**

This will allow Tech Trek staff to discuss with the parent/guardian the camper's accommodation request that is sought to be in effect during camp, to determine if and what reasonable accommodation can be provided, and to make the necessary accommodation arrangements in preparation for the camper's full participation at Tech Trek.

IF THE CONSENT FORM IS NOT COMPLETED AND PROVIDED TO THE SITE CAMP DIRECTLY, U.S. POST-MARKED, OVERNIGHT DELIVERY, OR ELECTRONIC MAIL DATE STAMPED AT LEAST TWO WEEKS BEFORE THE CAMP START DATE, THE CAMPER WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ATTEND TECH TREK.

If a camper requests accommodations at camp that have NOT been previously disclosed on the submitted Health History and Consent Form, the camper will not be admitted to the Tech Trek program. The site Camp Director has the exclusive authority to make the final decision as to whether the camper can be accommodated and may be permitted to attend/remain at the camp.

IV. QUESTIONS

If there are any questions regarding this policy, please contact the site Camp Director (name and contact information provided in the welcome letter accompanying this policy and application packet). If the site Camp Director is unable to satisfactorily resolve your concerns, please contact AAUW Washington (contact information in the welcome packet) and/or National AAUW at techtrek@aauw.org.