



January 10, 2024

Dear New Mexico Middle School Principal/Administrator:

AAUW Tech Trek NM is proud to announce our 11th annual week-long STEM summer camp for rising 8th grade girls **June 16-22, 2024** on the campus of New Mexico Tech (no relation) in Socorro, NM.

The Tech Trek camp model requires that 7th grade girls be nominated by their science and/or math teachers to apply for camp. The costs of the Tech Trek NM STEM camp are fully funded by AAUW Tech Trek NM, Inc., so that campers may attend at a small cost (\$50 commitment fee) to their families.

We respectfully request that you forward this email to all 7th grade science and math teachers and encourage them to nominate up to four 7th grade girls from your school that they feel would benefit from the Tech Trek camp experience.

The nominations must be submitted to us no later than **Friday, January 26, 2024**.

The 2024 Nominations Invitation and Form can be downloaded here:
[2024 Announcement to Teachers](#)

Nominations can be made online using this Google Forms link:
[2024 Online Nomination Form](#)

The Nominations Forms and Instructions can also be downloaded in PDF or Word formats here:
[PDF 2024 Nominations Form](#), OR [Word 2024 Nominations Form](#).

It is our priority to select girls who may not have had an opportunity to participate in an inspiring STEM program. We also strive to select a group of campers who reflect the demographics of New Mexico with a mix of urban and rural girls of all ethnicities and races.

AAUW Tech Trek NM offers a diverse and inclusive science camp experience for New Mexico girls who may not have had exposure to STEM programs outside of school. Girls benefit greatly from exposure to STEM role models, learning that they can be good at STEM subjects by practicing over time and judging themselves fairly against the achievements of their peers. Tech Trek NM provides an opportunity for girls to experience all of this. Since 2014, more than 500 girls from all over our state have participated in Tech Trek NM.

During camp, the campers will reside on the NM Tech campus, where they will attend a daily core class as well as participate in numerous hands-on workshops and other fun activities. As always, the classes and workshops will be taught by female STEM professionals and teachers.

Click here to see our 2024 Student Information Flyer: [2024 What is Tech Trek?](#)

Visit our web page: <http://techtrek-nm.aauw.net> to learn more about Tech Trek NM.

We look forward to receiving nominations from your school.

Please contact me if you have questions or concerns about Tech Trek and thank you for your support of this exciting opportunity for New Mexico girls.

Sincerely,

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