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New Mexico 7th Grade Science and Math Teachers:

Nominations are open!

Please nominate up to FOUR 7th grade girls from your school who are excited about science and math for the 2024 AAUW Tech Trek NM summer STEM camp!

All nominees will then be invited to apply for the camp.

Deadline to submit nominations is Friday, January 26, 2024.

The cost to the family of each girl selected is only \$50.

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

We ask you to coordinate with the other math and science teachers to nominate up to 4 girls from your school who are now in 7th grade.

Please use the link below to nominate online or download the attached forms. All nominees will then be invited in February to apply for the camp. A nomination does not guarantee a spot at the camp.

Google Forms Link: 2024 Online Nominations Form

2024 PDF Nominations Forms OR 2024 Word Nominations Forms

Email the completed PDF or Word forms to us at: <u>techtreknm@gmail.com</u> **OR** snail mail them to: Tech Trek NM, PO Box 90322, Albuquerque, NM 87199. Each nomination received will be acknowledged by email.

Submit your nominations no later than Friday, January 26, 2024

Please **rank** (1 being high) your nominees on how well they exhibit the qualities listed below. The forms are labeled 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th.

We are looking for female students who:

- Would benefit from a week long, live-in summer STEM camp to help bring out her true potential.
- Is excited by science and math and would benefit from exposure to STEM opportunities. We are especially looking for students who don't have opportunities to experience hands-on science and engineering outside of school.
- Has at least a "B" average and is capable of doing 7th grade math.
- Shows interest in learning new things, especially in science and/or math, and adapts well to new situations.
- Works well in group situations with maturity and respect for others, is willing to help all levels of students in the class, and can work alone.

- Follows directions well and shows patience and persistence in task completion, especially when challenged.
- Demonstrates responsibility, exhibits self-control, shows respect for teachers and peers, participates in class and has no serious discipline issues.
- Makes positive choices for herself, in and out of class.

Tech Trek campers participate in STEM classes and workshops, and other fun events and activities, and are taught by women STEM professionals and teachers.

We are only able to select approximately 50 girls from around the state for the 2024 camp. 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.

Click here to see our information flyer for students: 2024 What is Tech Trek?

Please visit our webpage at <u>https://techtrek-nm.aauw.net/</u> to learn more about Tech Trek NM.

Thank you for your time and investment in the lives of our next generation of STEM professionals!

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