STEAM Career Night
(Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Mathematics)

Tuesday Feb. 24th
4pm – 8pm
Everyone’s invited
Cedar Rapids Public Library 450 Fifth Ave SE

Free Parking available with Library card. You may sign up for a library card the same evening. Volunteers will be available to assist with any parking questions.

Join us for this STEAM Career night designed for parents, pre K–12 students at an event featuring hands on exhibits and information focused on Careers in Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics.

“STEAM Jobs are the future, they are essential for developing our technological innovation and global competitiveness”

Exhibitors will feature:
Cedar Rapids Technology Partners, Cedar Rapids Community Schools, Kirkwood Community College, University of Iowa, Coe College, Cornell College, Kaplan University, Iowa Big School, Belin-Blank Center, Rockwell Collins, College for Kids, Girls Scouts of America, 4-H, iT for Teens, The Iowa Children’s Museum, Linn County Solid Waste, Johnson STEM Academy, FIRST, Metro Made, Linn-Mar Robotics, Indian Creek Nature Center, Workplace Learning Connection, Coder Dojo, Future City, Real World Design Challenge.

When STEAM is embraced, the learning focus is a game changer for the way Iowa youth explore, learn, and grow both in and out of the classroom.
The Importance of STEM Education

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In case you hadn’t heard, Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) programs are the talk of the town – especially from the Commander in Chief himself.

• As part of his “Educate to Innovate” campaign, in September 2010 President Obama launched Change the Equation, an effort to dramatically improve STEM education at all grade levels; inspire student appreciation and excitement for STEM, especially among women and underrepresented minorities; and achieve a sustained, national commitment to improving STEM education.

Though STEM fields have traditionally been male-dominated, female enrollment in STEM majors is on the rise. This fall, 11,388 women – or one in three female students – enrolled in STEM majors at the University of Iowa, Iowa State University, and University of Northern Iowa. That’s a 13 percent increase from three years ago. According to university officials, outreach efforts directed to girls well before high school is credited for the boost in STEM interest.

When President Obama hosted more than 100 student science fair winners from around the country at the White House in February, he was sending a very clear communiqué to the nation: STEM education is vital.