



of the Berkshires

April 2022

Dear Parent/Caregiver,

Girls Inc. of the Berkshires would like to invite you to apply for the **Eureka!** program and join us in sparking your child's interest in science, technology, engineering & mathematics (STEM). The program is designed to encourage girls' excitement about STEM subjects through engaging them in fun year-round learning opportunities.

Eureka! is a five-year commitment and involves summer and school year experiences. We connect girls to the program at an early age and support them all the way through high school graduation. In her first two summers, your child will explore STEM, personal, and physical development in a 4-week summer camp. During the school year, she will attend monthly activities focused on building her knowledge and confidence. In summers three and four your child will be placed in a paid STEM-focused internship that will allow her to practice all she has learned. The fifth-year summer of **Eureka!** Girls Inc. of the Berkshires will support your child in applying to a college/university and accessing scholarships.

Eureka! 2022 Summer Program:

- Morning sessions focused on STEM subjects through fun, hands-on activities
- Afternoon sessions focused on personal development and sports, including swim

Eureka! 2022-2023 School Year:

- Monthly STEM events

Girls Inc. of the Berkshires is seeking girls who will benefit from building stronger relationships with peers and enjoy an in-depth learning experience. Girls should have an interest or motivation to explore STEM. **Interested girls must be entering 8th grade by fall 2022.**

There is space for 20 participants in **Eureka!** for 2022-2023. To apply, girls and families must submit an application. Families will also be asked to sign a commitment agreement to the 5-year program.

Program Location:

Berkshire Community College
1350 West St
Pittsfield, MA 01201

Summer 2022 Program Details:

Dates: Mon-Fri, July 11 – August 5, 2022

Times: 9:00AM-4:30PM

Parent/Girl Orientation Dates: TBD

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

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Eureka!

Participant Application

Summer 2022

Student Information

Student Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Gender _____ Age _____ Birthdate ____ / ____ / ____

School _____ Grade _____

Parent/ Caregiver Contact Information

Name(s) _____

Number: () _____ - _____ Email: _____

Parent or Guardian: Please READ and SIGN

If my daughter is accepted into the Eureka! Program, I will encourage her to participate fully in all activities and see that she regularly attends during the four weeks in summer and follow- up sessions. I will see that all the proper forms are completed and returned on time. I will support her by attending one or more of the following (Guardian/daughter Orientation, Field Trips, Graduation, Follow-up session, celebration showcase).

Signature _____

Date _____

Participant: Please READ and SIGN

If selected as a member of Eureka! I agree to participate fully in all aspects of this 5-year program, including orientations, the four week summer sessions, and monthly activities throughout the school year. I understand that my attendance is important for me to remain enrolled and fully benefit from the program.

Signature _____

Date _____