

EX.I.T.E. Camp 2020

EXploring Interests in Technology and Engineering Camp

- What?** The EXploring Interests in Technology and Engineering (EX.I.T.E.) summer camp is a fun, dynamic, educational program that allows girls to focus their abilities in the areas of science, technology, engineering, and math. Camp encourages future engagement with these subjects and helps girls discover the range of possibilities that exist through amazing experiments, activities, and mentors. Campers learn how fun these subjects can be and many make friendships that last beyond camp.
- Who?** Middle-school girls with disabilities who are entering grades 6-9 during the 2020 - 2021 school year are encouraged to apply. Previous EX.I.T.E. campers may apply, but priority is given to new campers.
- When?**
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| Thursday, July 23: Opening Ceremony | 4 to 5 p.m. |
| Monday, July 27: Camp Day | 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. |
| Wednesday, July 29: Camp Day | 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. |
| Friday, July 31: Camp Day | 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. |
| Tuesday, August 4: Camp Day | 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. |
| Thursday, August 6: Camp Day | 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. |
| Thursday, August 6: Closing Ceremony | 4:15 to 5:30 p.m. |
- Where?** PACER Center
8161 Normandale Blvd., Bloomington, MN 55437
- How much is it?** It's free! Just arrange for transportation and bring a lunch each day.
- How do I apply?** Applications are available online at pacer.org/stc/exite/camp.asp or by calling PACER Center at 952-838-9000. Applications can be submitted via email to Tina Hanson at stc@pacer.org. Printed applications can be mailed to:
- PACER, Simon Technology Center**
Attn: Tina Hanson
8161 Normandale Blvd
Bloomington, MN 55437
- By when?** Applications are due **Friday, June 26, 2020.**

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Your application is not considered complete unless you fill out the application in its entirety. Please make sure to provide as much information as possible so we can provide appropriate accommodations. Applications are due by **May 29, 2020** and can be emailed to Tina Hanson at stc@pacer.org or mailed to:

PACER Center, Simon Technology Center
Attn: Tina Hanson
8161 Normandale Blvd
Bloomington, MN 55437

GUARDIAN/PARENT INFORMATION

Guardians' Names _____
Relationship to Camper _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____
E-mail Address _____
Additional contact information _____
How did you hear about EX.I.T.E. Camp? _____

CAMPER INFORMATION

Camper's Name: _____
Address (if different from above) _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Birthdate (mm/dd/yyyy) _____ Age _____
2019-2020 (current) school year: Grade _____ School _____
Does your child receive free or reduced-price lunch?
 Yes, my daughter receives free or reduced-price lunch
 No, my daughter does not receive free or reduced-price lunch
Primary Language: _____
Campers T-shirt Size (adult sizes) _____

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Can your daughter attend all six days of EX.I.T.E. Camp, including opening day on July 23 (evening only) and camp days on July 27, 29, 31 and August 4, 6, 2020. It is mandatory that you attend all sessions.

Yes, my daughter can attend all six days

No, my daughter can't attend all six days

If no, please explain: _____

Has your daughter attended EX.I.T.E. camp in the past? Priority is given to 30 new qualifying campers on a first-come, first-serve basis. Previous campers who apply will be put on the wait list for any remaining spaces if available.

Yes, my daughter has attended EX.I.T.E. Camp in the past. Year attended _____

No, my daughter has not attended EX.I.T.E. Camp in the past.

Please list your daughter's diagnosed and suspected disabilities: _____

What is your daughter's primary method of communication (please check all that apply)?

Verbal: _____

Nonverbal: _____

Body language/Gestures: _____

Augmentative and Alternative Communication Device: _____

Sign Language: _____

Other, please list: _____

Does your daughter have a hearing impairment?

Yes, my daughter has a hearing impairment

No, my daughter does not have a hearing impairment

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If your daughter has a hearing impairment, does she use any of the following:

- Hearing aids
- Cochlear implants

If yes, please explain what accommodations could assist her specific to her hearing impairment:

Would a sign language interpreter be required for your daughter to attend camp?

- Yes, my daughter will need a sign language interpreter
- No, my daughter will not need a sign language interpreter

If yes, please describe (ESE, ASL): _____

Does your daughter have a visual impairment?

- Yes, my daughter has a visual impairment
- No, my daughter does not have a visual impairment

If yes, please describe and explain what accommodations could assist her specific to her vision impairment: _____

Is your daughter able to comprehend spoken instruction? _____

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Is your daughter reading (estimated grade level if possible)? _____

Is your daughter writing (estimated grade level if possible)? _____

Does your daughter use a mobility device (please check all that apply)?

- No, my daughter does not use a mobility device
- Power wheelchair
- Manual wheelchair
- Walker
- Other

If any of the above apply, please provide additional information: _____

If your daughter uses a manual wheelchair, does she need assistance pushing her wheelchair?

- Yes, my daughter needs assistance
- No, my daughter does not need assistance

If yes, please explain: _____

Does your daughter have a service animal that will be attending camp?

- Yes
- No

If yes, please explain: _____

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PACER Center is unable to provide one-on-one support to campers during camp. If your camper would benefit from one-on-one assistance to stay on task, complete projects, follow directions, stay in the camp area or with activities of daily living (toileting, eating, or transferring), it is recommended that a parent/guardian or PCA/aid attend camp with your daughter. Please discuss questions with camp staff.

Will a personal care attendant (PCA) or another person accompany your daughter to camp?

- Yes, the PCA's name is _____
- No, my daughter does not have a PCA but will need assistance with _____
- _____
- _____
- No, my daughter does not have a PCA and does not need assistance

Does your daughter have a paraprofessional or teacher aid at school?

- Yes, my daughter has a paraprofessional or teacher aid at school
- No, my daughter does not have a paraprofessional or teacher aid at school

If yes, please provide information so camp staff can understand what supports your daughter would benefit from (full day, half day, certain tasks): _____

Are there safety concerns camp staff should be aware of (staying with a group, hot water, self-injurious behaviors)?

- Yes
- No

If yes, please explain: _____

ALLERGIES

It is important that you provide us with ALL allergies or possible allergies your daughter has. We use this information to help PLAN CAMP ACTIVITIES and it helps us avoid exposure to possible allergens and helps keep campers safe. For camp experiments, we use many household products and food ingredients. Please describe any allergies your daughter has and how it affects her. If your daughter has a food allergy, please specify if the allergy is only if she ingests the product or if she uses the materials in an activity. This includes:

- Dietary restrictions and/or allergies (i.e. peanuts, food coloring, gluten, etc.)
- Environmental allergies and/or skin allergies/sensitivities (i.e. bee sting, glue, latex, smells, etc.)
- Allergies to medications (i.e. penicillin, etc.)

Does your daughter have any allergies?

- No, my daughter does not have allergies
- Yes, my daughter does have allergies

If yes, please list severity of allergens and explain as in-depth as possible, including triggers, symptoms, and treatment (including the use of an EpiPen): _____

MEDICAL INFORMATION

Please list any medical concerns or conditions your daughter has such as diabetes, asthma, heart condition, etc.

Medical Condition	Details/Medications
Additional Information:	

LEARNING & CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT

Camp encourages a hands-on approach to learning. Briefly describe how your daughter learns best.

Are there accommodations in place at school or strategies that are used at home that assist with your daughter’s learning (visual supports, timers, task list, sensory aids, behavior management strategies, etc.)?

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Please share any information about current strategies and techniques that are used to help your daughter if she is experiencing high stress, anxiety, or a challenging situation. This information will help our camp staff accommodate your daughter and help to make sure she has a positive camp experience (triggers, symptoms of anxiety, coping strategies, additional supports). _____

Is there any other information that would help us accommodate your daughter? _____

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Please attach a current photograph of your daughter to this application. The photo will be used in the camp booklet that will be handed out to the girls on the last day of camp. Colored photos are preferred and can be any size. The photos will not be returned to you. Copies are acceptable.

Attach photo here