STEM Academy Application 2018-2019

Application Deadline:

Last Name	First Name	Current School	2018-2019 Grade

STEM Pathway and Description

Students will engage in real-world, project-based learning experiences that integrate traditional science and math curriculum using non-traditional methods. Students will train to learn and work within a team-based structure. The projects and problems that students work to find solutions to will range from predetermined challenges to industry driven partnerships. Students enrolled are required to be self-motivated, cooperative learners.

If accepted, you will be enrolled in the following courses according to your grade level and transcript, as well as an Academic Center.

Grade	Science	Math
9	STEM Earth Science	STEM Algebra I
Prerequisites :	N/A	N/A
10	STEM Biology	STEM Geometry
Prerequisites :	Earth Science	Algebra I
11	STEM Physics	STEM Algebra II
Prerequisites :	Biology	Algebra and Geometry
12	STEM Research and Design	STEM Technical Math
Prerequisites :	Biology and Physics	Algebra, Geometry, and Algebra II

<u>Note:</u> If you do not fall into one of the categories listed above you may still be eligible for the program. For example, if you are advanced in math you are still eligible. Please talk to your counselor or email us at STEM@wsdmi.org for more information about course offerings.

Recommendations

In order to be considered for the STEM Academy you must have two (2) teachers willing to be contacted by the STEM instructors. One (1) math or science teacher and one (1) teacher of your choice. These teachers will be emailed a form to complete on your behalf.

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Self Evaluation

On a scale of 1-5 with 1 being the lowest and 5 being the highest, rate yourself in each of the following categories. Place a check in the most appropriate box.

	1	2	3	4	5
Academic Motivation					
Sense of Responsibility					
Leadership Qualities					
Study/Work Habits					
Ability to get along with others					
Overall attitude towards school					
Interest in STEM careers (engineering, biomedical, computer programming, audio visual, etc.)					

Essay Questions

The Waterford STEM Academy is seeking highly motivated students who have a passion in the particular area of STEM. Please handwrite your response in the space provided and sign on the line below acknowledging that this is your own work.

1.	What do you expect to gain by completing the STEM Academy and how will this program influence your future?		

2.	Explain something you have done or participated in that illustrates your passion for science, technology, engineering, and/or mathematics.
In	Imagine you arrive to class and your teacher proposes the following design challenge: "Using 20 sticks of spaghetti, 1 meter of tape, 1 meter of string, and 1 marshmallow you will have two days to construct the tallest free standing tower." order to demonstrate your critical thinking, problem solving, and communication skills please describe your design occess below.

I declare that these essays are my own work completed without assistance from others.				
Signature	Date			