NASA STEM Workshop

NASA@ My Library aims to engage diverse communities in STEM learning, including communities that are underrepresented in STEM fields. The educational support materials and outreach opportunities provided are part of the STAR Library Network (STAR Net), a hands-on learning program for libraries and their communities.

Apply by Tuesday, March 26, 2019, to attend this in-person, hands-on, space science-themed workshop that will provide activities and content to prepare public library staff to provide space-science themed programming in conjunction with their summer reading programs, using the Summer of Space resources and other tools that have been developed in partnership with the Collaborative Summer Learning Program (CSLP) and STAR Net.

The workshop facilitators include NASA@ My Library team members from the Space Science Institute and the Lunar and Planetary Institute.

- Learn how to conduct a dozen space science activities geared for children and teens
- Discover resources to connect to NASA science and missions
- Network with others facilitating science and technology programs, and
- Connect to the broader online community through the STAR Library Network.

The workshop will begin on April 30, 2019 at 1 pm at Sparks Library, with a Night Sky Viewing that evening (weather permitting). It will conclude at 3 pm on May 1, 2019. The workshop will include lunch and snacks.

Workshop Date/Location:

Sparks Library, Washoe County Library District
1125 12th St., Sparks, NV
April 30, 1:00 pm – May 1, 2019, 3:00 pm

Application Details

To apply to attend the workshop, applicants must meet the following criteria:

1. Be directly involved in developing and implementing summer reading programs at the library
2. Be able/approved to travel out of state for the workshop
3. Be able to pay for travel costs prior to reimbursement
4. The applicant's library is planning to celebrate space exploration in its 2019 summer reading program (using the CSLP Universe of Stories/Summer of Space
theme and resources, or incorporating space-science themed activities into its summer programs).

5. The applicant will be involved in conducting one space science-themed activity at the library by 9/30/2019, which engages an underrepresented STEM audience, and will report outcomes and outputs about the event to the State Library.

Note: Underrepresented STEM audiences targeted by NASA@ My Library include African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, women, persons with disabilities, and persons with low socioeconomic status.

To apply, fill out the brief form at https://californiastatelibrary.submittable.com/submit/135199/nasamy-library-nasa-stem-workshop

Application deadline is Tuesday, March 26, 2019.

**Application Selection**

10 library staff from California public libraries will be selected to attend the workshop. A lottery will be conducted for all applicants who meet the requirements. All applicants will be notified of selection by Friday, March 29, 2019.

**Reimbursement**

Participants will receive up to $500 maximum for travel reimbursement to the workshop. Please retain all receipts for your reimbursement claim; you must have receipts to be reimbursed. A travel reimbursement form will be provided. Reimbursement includes cost of transportation, hotel, and meals. Costs for conducting space science-themed summer reading programs and space science-themed activities are not included.

**Contact**

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