



Title: Maker is In Volunteer

This program encourages children and teens to explore our STEAM carts. STEAM carts offer tools for creating and experimenting in the areas of STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math). With these carts, children and teens will be able to create, explore, and discover using various craft supplies, robotics kits, and other STEAM-related activities at their own pace and following their interests. Volunteers may sign up for the arts portion and/or the technology part of this job.

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Job duties:

- For crafts volunteers:
 - Ensure STEAM carts are organized and neat before and after a shift
 - Come prepared each week with a craft to share with a child
- For technology volunteers:
 - Familiarize yourself with the various toys available
- Approach parents and children, introduce yourself, and share information about the program
- Commit one hour weekly on a regular recurring schedule
- Develop and apply innovative and appropriate techniques that create interest, understanding, and enthusiasm amongst children.
- Maintain and record the number of program participants in the log book located in YS

Requirements:

- You must love science, math, engineering, technology, and/or the arts
- Enjoy young, energetic children or teens with wide-ranging attention spans
- Be on time and committed to the program; this is a publicized public program, so it is imperative that you are on time and committed to the program
- Be able to positively redirect unpleasant behavior in a gentle, nonjudgmental way
- Be open to repeating an activity over and over again with a child
- Must be free of all communicable diseases

Level of Commitment: Maker is In Volunteers are expected to maintain a regular, weekly schedule for at least three months. **Volunteers are expected to give the Volunteer Coordinator as much notice as possible if they are unable to fulfill their obligation.**