



NEWSLETTER • Summer 2023

SAVE-THE-DATE

WOMEN IN STEM FUNDRAISER
OCTOBER 10TH



Girls 4 Science will honor ***Ngozi O. Ezike, MD*** with its **2023 Woman in STEM award** on Tuesday October 10. Dr. Ezike is the president and CEO of Sinai Chicago, the largest private safety net health system in the state of Illinois. She is the immediate past Director of the Illinois Department of Public Health, where she valiantly navigated the state through the most difficult waves of the Covid-19 pandemic. The Women in STEM event will be held at the beautiful Hilton Ausmus Gallery in Bridgeport's Morgan Arts Complex. Take advantage of early bird pricing.

PURCHASE TICKETS HERE

For sponsorship opportunities, email jlomax@girls4science.org

**Fall 2023 Saturday
STEM Academy — Health & Wellness**

Calling All Girls
10 – 18 Years
of Age ...



Health | heITH |
the state of being free from illness or injury.

Wellness | 'welnes |
the state of being in good health, especially as an actively pursued goal.

Saturday STEM Academy
6 Weeks of **FREE** science exploration,
field trips, mentorship

Saturdays:
October 7 – November 11
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM



IN PERSON → **Fall 2023 Session:**

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Sponsored by:



Three Locations

- Olive Harvey Community College - Chicago, IL
- Malcolm X Community College - Chicago, IL
- University of St. Francis - Joliet, IL

REGISTRATION OPENS:
AUGUST 6, 2023 (*For All Students*)

All **NEW** and **RETURNING** Students Must Register
@ www.girls4science.org click on the **REGISTER TAB**

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Registration is open for the Fall Saturday STEM Academy

**REGISTER
HERE**

Summer 2023 Saturday STEM Academy Science of Construction

During the Summer Saturday STEM Academy on the *Science of Construction*, the girls learned about career opportunities in the

construction industry and how they utilize their educational background to design local construction projects from employees of W.E. O'Neil Construction, a 100% employee-owned general contractor; worked in groups to answer questions in an interactive Construction Jeopardy game; constructed towers using marshmallows and spaghetti; and took an architecture cruise along the Chicago River to learn about the city's architectural history. Special thanks to W.E. O'Neil Construction team members Margaret Caspers, Caroline Ketcik, Stacy Economy, Camila Marden, Sarah Fuller and Colleen Finn.

Calling All Girls 10 – 18 Years of Age ...

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6 Weeks of FREE science exploration, field trips, mentorship

Saturdays:
July 1 – August 5
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

GIRLS 4 SCIENCE

IN PERSON Summer 2023 Session:
SCIENCE OF CONSTRUCTION

Sponsored by: **KSI** **BOEING**

Three Locations

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Construction /kənˈstrʌkʃən/ a general term meaning the art and science to form objects, systems, or organizations.



RIGHT: Building a Tower. L to R: G4S students Zoie Norals, Aishat Smith, Simi Okuwobi, Makayla Enu-Enwosu, Brooklynn Tyler

Girls 4 Science celebrated its 14th Annual STUDENT RECOGNITION & AWARDS CEREMONY on August 5 at Malcolm X City College.

The featured speaker was Dr. Lauren Lomax, a Girls 4 Science alum (and daughter of G4S founder, Jackie Lomax), who recently received her doctor of occupational therapy degree from Midwestern University, Downers Grove, IL. Girls 4 Science presented the 2023 Partnership Award to the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy (IMSA) in recognition of its long-time support of the curriculum for the Saturday STEM Academy. IMSA provides quarterly training sessions for Girls 4 Science Program Coordinators and High School Lab Assistants, hosts field trips on its campus and provides family workshops on how students can apply for IMSA out-of-school enrichment programs. Four G4S high school seniors received \$1,000 Linda McGill-Boasmond scholarships:

Faith Shelton, Milan James, Daja Thomas and Audra Spielman.

Linda McGill-Boasmond 2023 Scholarship Recipients



Audra Spielman



Daja Thomas



Faith Shelton



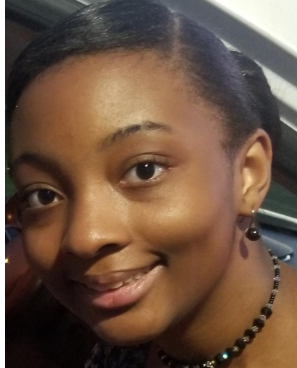
Milan James

Saturday STEM Academy 2023-24 Lab Assistants

In 2022, Girls 4 Science launched its Lab Assistant program for high school students. Volunteer Lab Assistants attend the Staff and Volunteer Training each quarter, participate on monthly Program Committee planning calls, offer feedback to the team related to student input, serve as a Lab Assistant Ambassador at Girls 4 Science outreach events, and assist the Program Coordinators during class with activities and on field trips. The 2023-24 High School Lab Assistants were recognized at the Student Recognition and Awards program on August 5.



Karmen Brooks
Olive Harvey College



Chelsea Waiters
Olive Harvey College

Carly Mg
Malcom X College



Vivianna Neito
Malcom X College



Alesandra Dambrauskas
University of St. Francis



Anbriana McDonald
University of St. Francis

Summer Internship at Cedar Concepts

"This summer I had the absolute pleasure of working as a summer intern at Cedar Concepts, the only female-owned manufacturer in the United States. This experience has been nothing short of amazing and I am immensely grateful for the knowledge, skills, and growth I have gained during my internship. Being surrounded by intelligent, and empowered professionals in a company run by an African American female in a male dominated industry was an inspiration in itself. Each day I was met with patience, understanding, and a genuine commitment to my development. I was given the opportunity to work on challenging projects, spend time in the lab, and assist in making products, all which pushed me out of my comfort zone. The internship allowed me to acquire new skills and build a solid foundation for my professional career. I would like to thank Linda McGill-Boasmond and her team for



Madison Robinson (left) in lab with R&D chemist, Lisa Phan

Girls 4 Science high school junior, Madison Robinson, completed a paid summer internship at Cedar Concepts, a manufacturer of chemicals for the personal care, home, agriculture and aerospace industries, among others. Linda McGill-Boasmond, founding Chair of the Girls 4 Science Board of Directors, is owner, President and CEO of Cedar Concepts, the first and only African

their investment in females like me."

~ Madison Robinson

American woman-owned chemical manufacturing plant. Madison Robinson is a junior at Lindblom Math and Science Academy.



Madison Robinson (center) surrounded by Cedar Concepts team



Congratulations to Girls 4 Science student Zoe Patterson on being selected as Queen of the 2023 Bud Billiken Day Parade Royal Court.

GIRLS 4 SCIENCE IN THE NEWS

Girls 4 Science was featured on Fox 32 Chicago to talk about the Saturday STEM Academy and the summer session on the *Science of Construction*.

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Girls 4 Science Alumnae

Girls 4 Science hosted an Alumnae & High School Student Summer Bowling Social on July 30 at Tinley Bowl. “As a recent college graduate, the Girls 4 Science alumnae group fosters the support I need as I transition into the workforce,” said Nakia Chapelle. The alumnae group reflected on their STEM milestones and how they could provide peer-to-peer mentorship for G4S students.



Back Row L to R: **Lauren Lomax:** G4S alum, graduate of Central Michigan University (BS Therapeutic Recreation) and Northwestern University, Downers Grove, IL (Doctor of Occupational Therapy); **Nakia Chappelle:** G4S alum, graduate of University of Wisconsin-Madison (pre med); **Jason Briski:** Volunteer mentor; **Kierson Rickmon:** G4S alum, at Northwestern University majoring in biology on a pre-med track; **Natasha Carter:** Program Coordinator Olive Harvey; **Reina Carter:** G4S alum, at Illinois State University majoring in mathematics; **Jackie Lomax:** G4S Executive Director. Front Row L to R: **Heather Velazquez:** G4S parent, University of St. Francis; **Windy Rickmon:** G4S parent, Malcolm X.

Your generous donation helps Girls 4 Science keep its programs FREE and expose more girls to STEM and the career opportunities available.

DONATE NOW

In addition to cash donations, there are many ways to support Girls 4 Science to help it remain the only free, year-round all-girls STEM program in the Chicago region.

- Volunteer at the Saturday STEM Academy
- Share the Saturday STEM Academy flyer with girls aged 10-18 years. The Fall session is Health and Wellness.
- Host a Saturday STEM Academy Field Trip.
- Sponsor Girls 4 Science t-shirts with your company logo.

Contact Jackie Lomax, jlomax@girls4science.org

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