

Invent the Summer Awarded \$3,600!



INVENT THE SUMMER

Mission: *To inspire the next generation of innovators, engineers and entrepreneurs.*

Program Funded:

This grant will fund a series of 8 in-person STEM workshops in Farmington in the summer of 2024. These workshops will be open to every Farmington child aged 5-12, and will be free of charge. The workshops will be led by trained local high school and college students, helping them to gain valuable experience teaching and mentoring younger children. Invent the Summer strongly believe that the "by kids, for kids" element of our program creates a more engaging, fun, and summer-friendly atmosphere and is very beneficial to all ages involved. They aim for their workshops to feel more like play than a classroom!

Each workshop will be 2-3 hours long and participants will be given a challenge, and then provided materials, supplies, and guidance to complete the challenge and enter the online contest before the end of the day.

This program will also create 150 STEM Boxes (a MakerSpace in a box) that will contain helpful tools and supplies for children to complete our challenges and continue creating throughout the school year. They will be given to the first 100 workshop participants. The program will also provide 10 boxes to each of the 5 Farmington elementary schools and given to students who demonstrate an interest in STEM, but who may lack the opportunity to explore STEM outside of the classroom.

To learn more about Invent the Summer, **visit:** <https://inventthesummer.org>

