



Greater Memphis
IT Council

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Greater Memphis IT Council to Host 2017 Career Fair:

Maxine Smith STEAM Academy to Meet with Leaders on Careers in Technology

MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE – April 12th, 2017: The Greater Memphis IT Council will host the 2017 Career Fair at Maxine Smith STEAM Academy (MSSA). Twenty organizations from the technology sector will participate in the third annual Maxine Smith STEAM Academy Career Fair to provide insight and inspiration on careers in the fields of technology. The student body is comprised of 320 middle school students, 6th, 7th and 8th graders who were accepted into this Shelby County Optional School program designed in cooperation with Christian Brothers University to address Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math. MSSA tested #1 media in the TCAPS in 2015 and continues to win honors and recognition for its academic excellence.

Where: Held at Maxine Smith STEAM Academy at E. Parkway and Central Avenue in the school gymnasium (former Fairview High Building – behind the school)

When: Wednesday, April 12th from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Participating Organizations:

- MLGW
- C Spire
- Unistar-Sparco Computers
- ProTech Systems Group
- Christian Brothers University (CBU)
- University of Memphis – STEM program
- University of Memphis – School of Health
- University of Memphis – Business IT Dept.
- Southwest TN Community College
- First Tennessee Bank
- UTHSC School of Dentistry
- Service Master
- JuicePlus
- IMC Companies
- OPTIV
- ENSAFE
- Verizon Wireless
- Greater Memphis Chamber
- Workforce Investment Network (WIN)
- Greater Memphis Alliance for a Competitive Workforce (GMACW)
- Greater Memphis IT Council

Host:

About The Greater Memphis IT Council:

The Greater Memphis IT Council is a non-profit membership association focused on leading the evolution for Memphis into an international center of excellence for information technology (IT). As an ecosystem, the IT Council is driving economic development for the region through professional networking, education and technology training. The vision is that member organizations will be more knowledgeable, empowered and successful because of their interaction with professionals and resources that support the information technology industry in the Memphis area. For more information go to www.memphisitcouncil.com

About Maxine Smith STEAM Academy:

Founded in August of 2014, Maxine Smith STEAM Academy is Shelby County Schools optional program serving students in grades 6-8 through a STEM curriculum developed in partnership with Christian Brothers University. The unique STEAM discipline integrates science, technology, engineering, the arts and math into all subjects. As a result of including the Arts as an equal partner with STEM curriculum, STEAM schools are hubs of creativity and innovation that provide challenging and inquiry-based educational experiences. Unlike a traditional curriculum, STEAM education teaches students to incorporate skills from all subject areas to develop innovative solutions to real-world problems. Students who complete the STEAM program will have the skills needed to envision and develop the groundbreaking research, products, medicines and processes that will shape society's future. For more information go to: www.memphissteammiddleschool.com