



## Greater Memphis IT Council

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### Greater Memphis IT Council to Host 2016 Career Fair:

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

**MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE** – March 16th, 2016: The Greater Memphis IT Council will host the 2016 Career Fair at Maxine Smith STEAM Academy. Twenty organizations from the technology sector will participate in the Maxine Smith STEAM Academy Career Fair to provide insight and inspiration on careers in the fields of technology. The student body is comprised of 260 middle school students, 6-, 7- and 8- 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.

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

**When:** Wednesday, March 16- from 9:00 am to 12 noon.

#### **Participating Organizations:**

MLGW  
E-Biz Solutions  
Southwest TN Community College  
Electronic Vaulting Services (EVS)  
Unistar-Sparco Computers  
TekSystems  
ProTech Systems Group  
Christian Brothers University (CBU)  
City of Memphis – IT Services  
Comcast Business  
National Civil Rights Museum  
ITT Technical Institute  
University of Memphis – STEM program  
University of Memphis – College of Arts Science  
University of Memphis – MIS Dept.  
First Tennessee Bank  
AT&T  
Rhodes College  
UTHSC  
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#### **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](http://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](http://www.memphissteammiddleschool.com)