



MID-CITIES TEXAS CHAPTER PROGRAM SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATH



The Mid-Cities Texas Chapter of the Links, Incorporated Sponsors 1ST Annual Mid-Cities STEM Summit At the University of Texas at Arlington

The Mid-Cities Texas Chapter continues to expand their rich programming thrust and vision, to ensure that 6th through 12th grade students in Arlington, Grand Prairie and Irving Texas are aware and excited about the broad spectrum of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) careers and views these areas as viable and attainable career options. The Chapter's collaborative efforts with the University of Texas at Arlington Upward Bound/TRIO program sustains a robust and fulfilling position for the Chapter's efforts to serve the community.

In March of 2011, the Chapter hosted a STEM Summit on the campus of the University of Texas at Arlington. Student participants and parents enjoyed a fulfilling day of exposure to STEM careers including a private showing at the University of Texas at Arlington Planetarium. The Summit included subject matter experts who presented topics on Math, Science and Engineering and afforded the participants more awareness and information on STEM through workshops and demonstrations.

Subject matter Experts from the Arlington Independent School District (AISD) presented workshops. The Summit welcomed Mrs. Renee Pope, the AISD Science Curriculum Coordinator, and Ms. Bettina Dixon, the AISD Math Curriculum Specialist, as they presented workshops. In addition, several of the foremost UTA Mechanical & Aerospace Engineering experts provided a hands on workshop at the Engineering School. The workshop was conducted by Jake Phan, Marianna L Vallejo, Betsegaw K Gebrehiwot, Richard M Eiland, and Fahad Mirza.