# TTAG NEWSLETTER - November 2022



### TTAG Membership

If you attended Tech Trek during the Summer, you are invited to join the AAUW-SF Tech Trek Alumnae Group (TTAG; pronounced TeeTAG) of the San Francisco Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW-SF).

If you attended Tech Trek in prior years and are not part of TTAG yet, this is a good time to consider becoming a member.

TTAG Membership will not only provide you with a community of like-minded girls interested in STEM, but also with access to college readiness workshops, STEM career panels, and a newsletter with opportunities and events tailored to TTAG's goals and interests. Finally, TTAG members will be eligible to apply for the TTAG Scholarship offering up to \$16,000 over 4 years to support college related expenses. More info and application form to come.

To Join TTAG or Renew your TTAG membership, please fill in this <u>survey</u>. For questions; please contact us at: <u>rpcvalle@gmail.com</u>



### TTAG Announcements

**EVENT: TTAG VISIT at the EXPLORATORIUM** 

When: Sunday, December 4 - from 1 to 4 PM

Who: TTAG (8th to 12th grade) - Tech Trek Alumnae (TTA), 10th and up, welcome to

come along and get the opportunity to mentor younger TTAs!

Where: in person - at the Exploratorium - Pier 15 - Embarcadero, San Francisco

What: A visit tailored to our TTAG members featuring hands-on activities and

presentations by Exploratorium volunteers - 3 hours (FREE)

**Registration:** Register <u>HERE</u>

**EVENT: Financial Aid** 

When: Thursday, January 26 at 7:00 PM

Who: TTAG students and parents

**Where:** online (link for registration coming soon)

**What:** Overview of Federal and State Financial Aid presented by the California Student Aid Commission (CSAC) - Recommended for ALL students and PARENTS, particularly if you want to get an early start

**NOTE:** If you are in 12th grade, then you will need to actually fill a FAFSA by March 2nd. We therefore recommend that you ALSO register and attend a hands-on workshop at <u>Cash for College Workshop Registration - California Student Aid Commission</u> to help you fill your FAFSA.

**EVENT: Essay Writing Workshop** 

When: Sunday, May 7 at 2:00 PM

**Who:** 10 and 11th grade TTAG students (particularly 11th graders)

Where: online (link for registration coming soon)

**What:** A workshop filled with tips and constructive advice, especially geared to 11th graders so they can start reflecting and working on their college application essays during the Summer, taking the time to develop ideas and writing skills.



### Check out the AAUW-SF website

Provide a quote on your Tech Trek experience!

When: ASAP

**Who:** opened to all Tech Trek Alumnae (whether or not part of TTAG, you must have attended a Tech Trek camp to participate) and particularly geared to our newest TTAG members and 2022 Tech Trek returning campers

**What:** email a testimonial (one sentence to one paragraph) on your Tech Trek experience to appear in the NEW Branch website; <a href="https://sanfrancisco-ca.aauw.net/">https://sanfrancisco-ca.aauw.net/</a>

Contact: sonialee3068@gmail.com

## STEM Activities & Opportunities

Girls Who Code Club

When: School Year

Who: Middle and high school students

Where: School

**What:** Join or start a Girls Who Code Club at your school! You will be part of a large international organization focused on empowering girls to code. It's a great opportunity to learn more about computer science and sisterhood! Check out the link below to start

a club!

More information: Girls Who Code Website

**Program: Headwaters Science Institute Fall 2022 Research Experience** 

When: September 13 to December 13, 2022

Who: high school students

**Where:** online meetings and independent research in location of student's choosing **What:** Cost \$1,350- financial aid available - get out of the classroom and immerse yourself in hands on research - work along a professional scientist, get mentored and impress those college recruiters!

Info: <u>Headwaters Research Experience - Headwaters Science Institute</u>



#### Million Girls Moonshot Flight Crew

When: For eight months during 2023

Who: Middle School and High School students

Where: To be announced per location

**What:** Girls interested in STEM to become moonshot flight crew members! Moonshot members will participate in youth development and public speaking to experience STEM activities with other girls meanwhile breaking down stereotypes and

encouraging their peers.

Extra Info: Million Girls Flight Crew

Selected students are eligible for a \$1,000 stipend

### IF YOU MISSED PRIOR TTAG EVENTS

The recording of the **How to Find your College Fit** event that took place on October 13, 2022 and the presentation by Brianna Bennett, independent Educational Consultant from Climbing to Success College and Career Consulting are available. Please contact us at: rpcvalle@gmail.com to access the link and request a copy.

### CONTACT US

It's our goal to bring you workshops, camps, extra-curricular activities, internships, and other exciting opportunities in STEM. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you would like to share with your TTAG community any cool STEM Ed event taking place at your high school. Want to share info and opportunities or give us feedback?

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