

STEM Quest Partner Newsletter

Jamboree Dates

July 19 to July 28, 2017

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Welcome to the first **STEM Quest** Partner newsletter for the 2017 National Scout Jamboree! We are going to have seven awesome days of program across the 10-day Jamboree experience.

As a part of STEM Quest, we will offer high-tech, state-of-the-art exhibits where participants and staff will work together to explore the application of science and technology in our lives.



STEM Quest will provide Scouts with hands-on experiences involving applications of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) in modern society. Independently, and with partner companies and institutions, our staff will assist participants in diverse activities involving chemistry, electronics, forensics, information technology, molecular biology, physics, and robotics just to mention a few. Our staff includes many youth, such as older Scouts and Venture Crew members focusing on engineering or the sciences in high school or college.

In 2017, the new **STEM Quest** program area will be expanded from the 2013 Tech Quest, and moved downhill to The Pools at the intersection of Jack Furst Dr. and Upper Ridge Road. As in 2013, each Jamboree troop and crew will be assigned to visit **STEM Quest** on a specific half-day, and will be able to return in their free time. There will also be a sampler of STEM-related exhibits in the Walter Scott Summit Center (Satellite Booth) and "Science Behind the Sport" at selected adventure areas.

STEM Quest Basics:

- The **STEM Quest** site will be about 350 vertical feet lower and 1 mile closer to the Staff Village than the 2013 Tech Quest location. Check out the site at <https://goo.gl/maps/K5coFMCF9L72>
- There will be a transportation system to help move staff around the site.



Check out our website:

STEM Quest has our own website that is constantly updated with corporate and academic partners, FAQ answers and leadership team info. Check us out at www.jambostem.org .

Staffing: There remain plenty of opportunities for more staff. Know someone who might be interested in participating? Please contact Bob Parker at rmparker65@gmail.com and he'll be happy to talk to them.

Giveaways: Please remember that any giveaways (including patches) must have their design approved by Jamboree management, to make sure they comply with BSA branding guidelines.



www.summitbsa.org/events/jamboree/overview/



Lisa Balbes and Miles

Know your staff

Lisa M. Balbes, Ph.D. - STEM Quest Director - Lisa is a member of the national BSA STEM Committee; Boy Scout STEM Chair for the Greater St. Louis Area Council, and Advancement Chair for the New Horizons District. She has been ASM-Advancement for Troop 352 for 14 years. She served on the Chemistry Merit Badge staff for the 2010 and 2013 Jamborees. She is a Brotherhood member of the OA, and was honored with the Silver Beaver in 2014. She is the proud mother of two Eagle Scouts.

In real life, Lisa has a PhD in Chemistry. and has been a freelance technical writer/editor with Balbes Consultants LLC for 25 years.

Corporate Partners

We have been busy recruiting and establishing contacts in the professional and academic communities:

Our current partners include:



Know of another potential partner? Let us know at: lisa@balbes.com

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