



of Metro Denver

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Girls Inc. of Metro Denver would like to invite your daughter to apply for the **Eureka!** program and join us in sparking their interest in science, technology, engineering & mathematics (STEM). The program is designed to encourage girls' excitement about STEM subjects through engaging them in fun year-round learning opportunities.

**Eureka!** is a five year commitment and involves summer and school-year experiences at a low cost to families. Girls begin the program the summer before 8<sup>th</sup> grade and we support them all the way through high school graduation. In her first two summers, your daughter will explore programs in STEM, personal and physical development in a 4-week summer camp. During the school year, she will attend monthly activities focused on building her knowledge in STEM subjects and careers while also building her confidence. In her third and fourth summers, your daughter will be placed in a paid STEM-focused internship that will allow her to practice all she has learned. In summer five, of **Eureka!** she will travel with Girls Inc. of Metro Denver on a STEM-focused excursion outside of Colorado. In addition, Girls Inc. will provide support to help your daughter apply to college/university and access available scholarships. Annual program fees range from \$20-\$300 depending on family income.

**Eureka! 2021 Summer Camp (June 7 - July 1, 2021):**

- STEM classes focused on fun, hands-on activities
- Electives, including personal development and fitness

**Eureka! 2021-2022 School Year (September 2021 - May 2022):**

- Monthly STEM-enrichment classes

For 2021-2022, there is space for 30 current 7th graders and 13 current 8th graders in the **Eureka!** program. Girls Inc. of Metro Denver is seeking girls who will benefit from building stronger relationships with peers and enjoy an in-depth learning experience. Girls should have an interest or motivation to explore STEM. Girls are expected to maintain a 2.0 GPA while participating in the program and will be required to submit grades on a quarterly basis once they are in the program. For 2021 only, **interested girls must be entering 8<sup>th</sup> or 9<sup>th</sup> grade in Fall 2021.**

To apply, girls and families must submit an application and participate in an interview. Families will also be asked to sign a commitment agreement to the 5-year program. **The priority application deadline is February 19<sup>th</sup>, and applicants that apply by this date will be notified by March 1<sup>st</sup> if they have been selected for an interview. The final application deadline is April 9<sup>th</sup>, and selected applicants will be notified about interviews by April 14<sup>th</sup>.**

**Program Location:**

Metro State University  
890 Auraria Pkwy  
Denver, CO 80204

**Summer 2021 Program Details:**

Dates: Mon-Thur, June 7<sup>th</sup> – July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021

Times: 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Parent/Girl Orientation Dates: May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021

\*\*\*may be virtual in accordance with local public health guidelines

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

Amy Grimm

STEM Coordinator

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Estimado Padre/Guardián(a),

Girls Inc. de Metro Denver le gustaría invitar a su hija a aplicar al programa **Eureka!** y que se una a nosotros para apoyar su interés en la ciencia, la tecnología, la ingeniería y las matemáticas (STEM). El programa está diseñado para alentar el entusiasmo de las niñas sobre temas STEM al involucrarse en divertidas oportunidades de aprendizaje durante todo el año.

**Eureka!** requiere un compromiso de cinco años y combina experiencias de verano y año escolar a un bajo costo para las familias. Las niñas comienzan el programa desde el verano antes de 8º grado y las apoyamos hasta el fin de la graduación de la escuela secundaria. En sus primeros dos veranos, su hija explorará programas en STEM, desarrollo personal y físico en un campamento de verano de 4 semanas. Durante el año escolar, asistirá a actividades mensuales enfocadas en desarrollar su conocimiento en temas y carreras de STEM mientras también aumenta su confianza. En su tercer y cuarto verano, su hija será colocada en una pasantía (internship) enfocada en STEM que le permitirá practicar todo lo que ha aprendido. En el quinto verano de **Eureka!** viajará con Girls Inc. de Metro Denver en una excursión enfocada en STEM fuera de Colorado. Además, Girls Inc. apoyará a su hija con los solicitudes de ingreso a universidad y acceder a las becas disponibles. El costo anual del programa variará entre \$20 y \$300 basado en los ingresos familiares.

**¡Eureka! Campamento de verano de 2021 (del 7 de junio al 1 de julio de 2021):**

- Clases de STEM enfocadas en actividades divertidas y prácticas
- Electivas, incluyendo el desarrollo personal y el estado físico

**¡Eureka! Año Escolar 2021-2022 (septiembre de 2021 - mayo de 2022):**

- Clases mensuales de enriquecimiento STEM

Para 2021-2022, hay espacio para 30 estudiantes actuales de séptimo grado y 13 estudiantes actuales de octavo grado en el programa **Eureka!**. Girls Inc. de Metro Denver está buscando niñas que se beneficien de construir relaciones más fuertes con sus compañeras y que disfruten de una experiencia de aprendizaje en profundidad. Las niñas deben tener interés o motivación para explorar STEM. Esperamos que las niñas mantengan a lo menos un GPA de 2.0 mientras participan en el programa y se les pedirá que presenten sus notas cada cuarto escolar después de estar en el programa. Sólo para el año 2021, **las niñas interesadas deberán entrando el 8º o 9º grado en el otoño de 2021.**

Para aplicar, las niñas y las familias deben entregar una solicitud y participar en una entrevista. También se les pedirá a las familias que firmen un acuerdo de compromiso con el programa de 5 años. **El plazo de solicitud de prioridad es el 19 de febrero y las solicitantes que se aplican antes de esta fecha serán notificadas el 1 de marzo si han sido seleccionadas para una entrevista. La fecha final es el 9 de abril y las solicitantes seleccionadas serán notificadas sobre las entrevistas antes del 14 de abril.**

**Ubicación del programa:**

Metro State University  
890 Auraria Pkwy  
Denver, CO 80204

**Detalles del programa de Verano 2021:**

Dates: Lunes a Jueves, 7 de junio – 1 de julio, 2021

Horario: 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Junta de orientación: 15 de mayo, 2021

\*\*\*puede ser virtual de acuerdo con las pautas de salud pública locales.

Por favor contáctenos si tiene cualquier pregunta.

Amy Grimm

Coordinadora de STEM

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# The *Eureka!* Program

Application Cover Page

Please make sure the following five items are included in your application and deliver to Girls Inc. of Metro Denver in one envelope with your full name on the front. Only complete applications will be reviewed.

**Applicant Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

	Application Item	Details
	Application Cover Page	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This form, with all items checked</li> </ul>
	Eureka! Participant Application	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Both girl and parent questions completed</li> </ul>
	Letters of Recommendation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 letters from school personnel, volunteer experience, etc.</li> <li>• Letters must be sealed or mailed/emailed directly to Girls Inc. from the letter writer.</li> <li>• There is also an electronic version of the recommendation available. Please send your recommender the link below to complete if they would rather complete the recommendation electronically. <a href="http://bit.ly/eurekateacherrec">http://bit.ly/eurekateacherrec</a></li> </ul>

**Priority Application Deadline: February 19, 2021**

**Final Application Deadline: April 9, 2021**



# Eureka! Program Summer 2021

## Participant Application

Class of 2025

of Metro Denver

### Applicant Information:

Name:	
Current School:	
Current Grade:	
Home Address:	
City, State, Zip:	
Applicant Cell Phone:	
Applicant Email:	
Age as of June 7, 2021:	
Date of Birth:	
Were you referred by a current Eureka?	If so, tell us their name:

### Parent/Guardian Information: *Información de Padre/Guardián:*

Parent/Guardian Name: <i>Nombre de Padre/Guardián:</i>	
Relationship to Applicant: <i>Relación con la solicitante:</i>	
Parent/Guardian Cell Phone: <i>Teléfono celular del Padre/Guardián:</i>	
Parent/Guardian Work Phone: <i>Teléfono de trabajo del Padre/Guardián:</i>	
Parent/Guardian Email: <i>Correo electrónico del Padre/Guardián:</i>	

### Second Parent/Guardian Information (optional):

#### *Información de Segundo Padre/Guardián (opcional):*

Second Parent/Guardian Name: <i>Nombre de Padre/Guardián:</i>	
Relationship to Applicant: <i>Relación con la solicitante:</i>	
Second Parent/Guardian Cell Phone: <i>Teléfono celular del Padre/Guardián:</i>	
Second Parent/Guardian Daytime Phone <i>Teléfono de trabajo del Padre/Guardián:</i>	
Second Parent/Guardian Email: <i>Correo electrónico del Padre/Guardián:</i>	

## Questions for the Applicant

We are excited to get to know you better! Please respond to the questions below. This is an opportunity for you to share information about yourself in your own words. Relax, be honest, and do the best that you can. Please answer each question in a **MINIMUM of three sentences**. If you need more space you can add pages to the document.

1. How would YOU describe yourself?
2. How do you think OTHERS would describe you?
3. What other school year or summer activities are you committed to and when and for how long do they meet?
4. What do you hope to gain from the Eureka! program?
5. What do you believe you have to offer the Eureka! program? Why should you be selected?
6. Why do you want to learn more about science, technology, engineering and/or math? How do you think this program might help?

7. Is there a career (or job) you are really excited about having when you are an adult?
  
8. What goals do you need to achieve to have that career (or job)?
  
9. Think about how you are doing in school right now. What actions are you taking to help ensure you maintain good grades or improve the grades you have? For example, do you go to office hours, ask for help, check your grades consistently?
  
10. Do you know how to swim? Do you enjoy swimming? How comfortable and confident do you feel about swimming?
  
11. Do you play any sports? Do you enjoy playing sports? What are your favorite sports and why?
  
12. Is there anything else you would like to share about yourself?
  
13. Is there anything that would prevent you from attending Eureka! this summer from June 7<sup>th</sup> to July 1<sup>st</sup> from 8:30 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. Monday - Thursday?

## Parent/Guardian Questions, Preguntas para un Padre/Guardián

1. What are your personal hopes and goals for your girl's education?  
*¿Cuáles son sus esperanzas y metas personales para la educación de su niña?*
  
2. Why do you want your girl to attend this program?  
*¿Por qué quiere que su niña participe en este programa?*
  
3. Can you commit your girl to attending an all day, 4-week, intensive STEM and leadership camp for the first two years of this program? **Can you and your girl commit to actively participate in this program until your girl graduates high school?** Explain.  
*¿Puede comprometer a su niña a que asista a un campamento intensivo de liderazgo y STEM de 4 semanas durante los dos primeros años de este programa? ¿Pueden usted y su niña comprometerse a participar activamente en este programa hasta que su niña se gradúe de la escuela secundaria? Explique.*
  
4. Is there anything else you would like to share about your girl?  
*¿Hay algo más que le gustaría compartir sobre su niña?*
  
5. Is your girl receiving any additional services at school or is she currently in special education services? If so please explain so we can make sure to provide activities that will work for her if she is selected to participate.  
*¿Recibe su niña algún servicio adicional en la escuela o actualmente recibe servicios de educación especial? Si es así, explique para que podamos asegurarnos de ofrecerle actividades que le resulten útiles si es seleccionada para participar.*

**Commitments/Compromisos:**

**Parent/Guardian (Padre/Guardián):**

If my girl is accepted into **Eureka!**, I will encourage her to participate fully in all aspects of this 5-year program. I will ensure that all the proper forms are completed and returned on time. I will also support her by attending required programming and communicating effectively with **Eureka!** staff.

Girls Inc. and local partners are making an investment of more than \$3000 per girl to offer **Eureka!** in 2021-2022. **The annual cost to families will be determined on a sliding scale based on income and will range from \$20-\$300 for the entire year of programming, and will be assessed when summer programming starts and can be paid with a payment plan.** **By writing my name below, I am agreeing to the commitments outlined above.**

*Si mi hija es aceptada al programa **Eureka!**, yo la animare para que participe plenamente en todos los aspectos de este programa de cinco años. Me aseguraré de que todos los formularios adecuados se completen y devuelvan a tiempo. También la apoyaré asistiendo a la programación requerida y comunicándome de manera efectiva con el personal **Eureka!** .*

*¡Girls Inc. y sus socios locales están invirtiendo más de \$3000 por niña para ofrecer **Eureka!** en 2021-2022. **El costo anual para las familias se determinará en una escala móvil basada en los ingresos y variará de \$20 a \$300 para todo el año de programación, y se evaluará cuando comience la programación de verano y se puede pagar con un plan de pago.** **Al escribir mi nombre abajo, estoy aceptando los compromisos descritos anteriormente.***

Signature/ Firma: \_\_\_\_\_ Date/Fecha: \_\_\_\_\_

**Participant:**

If selected as a member of **Eureka!**, I agree to participate fully in all aspects of this 5-year program, including orientations, summer sessions, internships, and monthly activities throughout the school year. I understand that my attendance is important in order for me to remain enrolled and fully benefit from the program. I also understand that I will need to communicate effectively with **Eureka!** staff in order to stay informed about upcoming events and opportunities.

**By writing my name below, I am agreeing to the commitments outlined above.**

*Si soy seleccionada como miembro de **Eureka!**, aceptó participar plenamente en todos los aspectos de este programa de 5 años, incluidas las orientaciones, las sesiones de verano, las pasantías y las actividades mensuales durante todo el año escolar. Entiendo que mi asistencia es importante para poder seguir inscrito y beneficiarme plenamente del programa. También entiendo que tendré que comunicarme de manera eficaz con **Eureka!** personal para mantenerse informada sobre los próximos eventos y oportunidades.*

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Signature/Firma: \_\_\_\_\_ Date/Fecha: \_\_\_\_\_

Please submit applications to Girls Inc. of Metro Denver via mail, email, or drop off.

**Mailed/Dropped Off Applications:**  
Girls Inc. Metro Denver  
1499 Julian Street  
Denver, CO 80204  
Attention: Eureka!

**Emailed Applications:**  
Amy Grimm  
STEM Coordinator  
agrimm@gidenver.org  
Subject: Eureka! Application





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# The *Eureka!* Program

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Part of the *Eureka!* selection process requires a letter of recommendation from someone in an educational, work, or volunteer setting who can speak to the applicant's ability to commit to the program and enthusiasm for learning. By receiving this form, the applicant has requested a letter from you. Your letter is a critical part of our selection and awareness process. In your maximum 1-page letter, please provide answers and information for all of the following:

- Applicant's full name
- Your name, title and how you know the applicant
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- **Question 2:** How will *Eureka!* positively influence the applicant's life?
- **Question 3:** Do you think the applicant will commit to the 5-year program? Please explain.
- **Question 4:** Does the applicant have an enthusiasm for learning? Please explain.

If you would rather complete a google form version of the teacher recommendation, please visit

<http://bit.ly/eurekateacherrec>.

All questions must be addressed in your recommendation. The completed letter should be returned to the applicant in a sealed envelope or emailed directly to the STEM Coordinator, Amy Grimm, at [agrimm@gidenver.org](mailto:agrimm@gidenver.org).

On behalf of Girls Inc. of Metro Denver, we thank you for your time, interest and participation in this process. Thank you for helping to inspire our girls to become strong, smart, and bold.

Sincerely,

The *Eureka!* Selection Committee



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