

Women in STEM

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About Women in STEM

- Strengthens the connection of women in science, technology, engineering, and math fields to the greater campus community
- Accessible and inclusive to all students, not just women
- Diverse membership. Over 80% of Women in STEM Club members at South identify as people of color
- Supportive environment for women in STEM fields
- Engaging community members
- •Collaboration across campus. Work with #Hour of Code, the Association for Women in Aviation, Gender Equity Center, and WorkSource Dept. to reach more students



Why this Club Matters

Visibility on campus

- Women in STEM plays an important role on campus: We are empowering and supporting women in STEM fields.
- Our presence embodies South Seattle College's values: We elevate the voice to an underrepresented group of students and celebrate their achievements.

Building community and confidence

 As students, we can relate and support other South students who may be interested in getting more involved on campus and within our community.

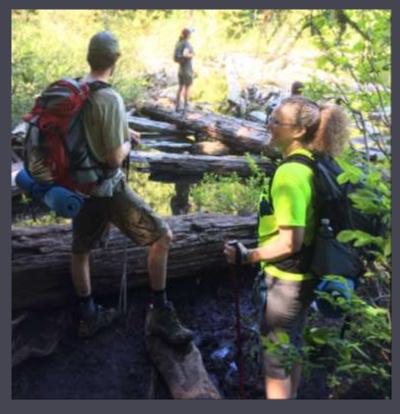




Women in STEM in Action

- •Annual campus-wide STEM Fair partnership with R.S.T Academy
- Networking hikes with Boeing engineers







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- WiSE Conference participation
- •STEM Exploration Night: K-12 classes in Federal Way Public Schools
- Partner with Gender Equity Center and WorkSource to plan the Women of Color in STEM panel/workshop
- Spring end-of-year celebration for South students, hosted by the Women in STEM club





Benefits for Members

- Awareness of STEM programs and resources for support services
- Sense of comradery between current and future members
- Inclusive and available to all students at South
- Reinforces empowerment and confidence amongst women in STEM fields
- Provides important information about club membership, and other ways to be engaged on campus
- Networking and connecting with leaders in STEM fields, other STEM students, and faculty members
- Celebration: STEM subjects and activities are fun!



Challenges and Opportunities

- Obtaining funds to support field trips and events
 - Cost of materials and food needed for events on campus
 - Cost of sponsorship to conferences and field trips
- Student Scheduling Conflicts
 - Work commitments
 - Familial obligations
 - Rigorous academic courses
- Leadership tenure
- Faculty involvement



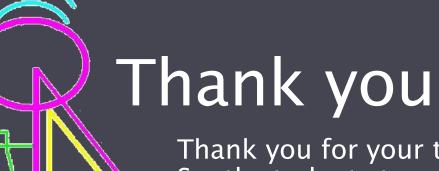


Outreach

How start a Women in STEM Club at your School

- Decide why it makes sense to establish a Women in STEM Club
- Faculty member must take initiative:
 - Source funding
 - Help write bylaws
 - Onboard student officers
 - Help officers develop ideas for activities
 - Allow students to lead and be available





Thank you for your time, and your commitment to empowering all South students to reach their full potential.

