



# 2018 NWTC SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING FESTIVAL

## MIND TREKKERS EVENT SUMMARY FEBRUARY 15 & 16, 2018

Hello!

Thank you for all of the hard work you and your team dedicated to making this event happen, from start to finish. Events of this nature absolutely require community investment, and the leadership and purposeful effort you have put towards this project has manifested in the successful delivery of an experience your students and families won't soon forget. You can rest assured that together we have provided a spark in many young minds, giving them insight into the opportunities a career in STEM can offer. It was a pleasure partnering with you, and equally exciting to engage in making a difference in your community.

-Mind Trekkers

### THE EVENT

**Total Attendance: 2200    Number of Demonstrations: 55**



**Partnership:** 7 departments within Northeast Wisconsin Technical College came together to put on demonstrations for the students as well as additional volunteers to host additional Mind Trekkers activities. All different areas of STEM were represented to put on an event that was exciting and informative to those of all ages.

### OUR IMPACT

Students and teachers were surveyed after the event to assess the event's impact. In just a two hour session, we were able to make a dramatic impact on those who attended.

**89%** of teachers felt the format of this event promoted learning and student engagement

**96%** of teachers felt the event offered activities and resources to them and their class that normally wouldn't be able to be provided.

**72%** of students are **more interested** in attending college

**60%** of students are **more interested** in science

**48%** of students are **more interested** in technology

**39%** of students are **more interested** in engineering

**68%** of students think about what scientists and engineers do in a different way



## TAKE IT FROM THEM

### From the students:

- "It cemented the fact that I want to go to college"
- "It was inspiring to see so many women involved in science"
- "It was inspiring knowing I could accomplish all this stuff too"

### From the teachers:

**81%** of teachers intend on using our resources to find activities they can do in their classrooms and will share activities they saw at the event with other teachers.

"Students are free to move through the experiences at their pace and interest. It's so engaging for them!"

"I love that you had career fields represented as well as the demonstrations. It allows my older students thinking about high school to see what they are interested in."



**For photos of the event, visit our Flickr page:** <https://www.flickr.com/photos/michigantechyp/albums>