

AAUW – Livonia Branch joins Schoolcraft College to Host STEM Event for Middle School Girls



Livonia Public School Middle School girls attend the Schoolcraft College/AAUW – Livonia Branch First Annual Girls in STEM event

On February 27th Occupational Programs of Schoolcraft College, in cooperation with the American Association of University Women – Livonia Branch (AAUW) hosted the First Annual Girls in STEM event. Over one hundred middle school girls from the Livonia Public Schools and their parents participated.

The event featured hands-on biology and robotics activities for the students and informational breakout sessions for their parents.

The families enjoyed guest speakers Dr. Tonya Matthews, President and CEO of the Michigan Science Center; Ms. Chioke Mose-Teleford, Director of Community Programs for Grand Circus and Mr. Karl Klimek, Executive Director of Square One Education Network.

AAUW –Livonia member and Schoolcraft Trustee Carol Strom was joined by AAUW members Adele Sobania, Carol Dubuque and Karen Winters served on the SCC Girls in STEM Organization and were instrumental in planning the event and providing support during the half day event.

Both parents and students expressed an interest in attending future such events at Schoolcraft. Schoolcraft President Dr. Jefferss and Carol Strom of AAUW-Livonia agreed that there would be future opportunities for collaboration on STEM career awareness activities.



Schoolcraft College Dean Robert Leadley with keynote speakers Dr. Tonya Matthews CEO Michigan Science Center; Ms. Chioke Mose-Teleford Director Community Programs for Grand Circus



Engineering for Kids* Robotics competition introduced the importance of programming and design of robots. Girls worked in teams and then competed.

Students enjoyed the life-like mannequins depicting the internal and external structure of the human body and the body's systems.

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