2015 Criteria for Applicants

Syracuse University's College of Engineering and Computer Science is looking for applicants who meet the following criteria to apply for Project ENGAGE. Please note that the selection process for attending Project ENGAGE is highly competitive. Not all those girls that are nominated and apply, despite meeting the criteria below, will be chosen to attend the program.

**Criteria**

- For 2015 Project ENGAGE will **not be limited to girls in a specific geographic area**, however at least 50% of our selected participants will reside in Central New York (which includes the counties of: Oswego, Onondaga, Cayuga, Cortland, Madison). Also please note, that parents and/or guardians of selected students must drop their daughter off on campus on Sunday and pick up their daughter from campus on Friday (times will be specified after acceptance letters are sent). Project ENGAGE staff will not pick up participants at the train/bus station or airport.
- Graduating 7th grade girls **can apply only** to Week 1: Sustainability and Alternative Energy
- Graduating 8th grade girls **can apply only** to Week 2: Biomedical Engineering: Bridging the Gap Between Technology and Medicine
- Minimum age of **12 as of July 1, 2015**
- Outstanding students, preferably in the top 5% of their grade with a grade point average of **3.5 or better on a scale of 4 or 90 % or better on a scale of 100 %**.
- Students with a wide range of interests and demonstrated ability across several academic areas with an aptitude in math and/or science.
- Students who exhibit leadership skills.
- Girls who meet the criteria and who are available to attend this residential program July 5-10 (7th grade graduates) or July 12-17 (8th grade graduates)

**In addition, Please Note:**

- The cost to attend Project ENGAGE in 2015 will be **$400** (which is approximately 40% of the actual program cost). **Full Scholarships are available** to those girls who are selected and are financially in need as determined by a scholarship request application (distributed after we have completed our selection process)
- Students who attended Project ENGAGE as a 7th grade graduate **will not** automatically be accepted into the 8th Grade Program. It is up to the school to decide whether to re-nominate 2014 participants, and participants will be selected based on the merits of their 2015 application as compared to all those that apply.