

American Association of University Women Tech Trek Scholarship Camp Program

Tech Trek is an annual weeklong summer camp sponsored by AAUW National, and held on a university campus. The program has been in existence since 1998. Amador County girls attend the camp at California State University, Fresno. Learn all about the Tech Trek program by going to www.aauw.org, click on WHAT WE DO which is in the top menu bar, when on that page, go the side menu bar and click on STEM EDUCATION. You will find information about Tech Trek camps, well as, information about STEM education.

It is a math/science camp designed to develop interest, excitement and self-confidence in young women entering eighth grade in the fall. Daily hands-on classes and field trips are designed to explore a variety of STEM fields of study – science, technology, engineering, math-in a nurturing environment and are taught by women professionally employed in these fields.

Local math and science teachers are asked to nominate interested seventh grade girls. Those girls are required to submit an application form and an essay on topic that is decided by the AAUW Tech Trek Committee. The applications are then screened and the AAUW Amador selection committee interviews a limited number of girls.

AAUW Amador supports this program with camp scholarships of \$950 and requests a \$50 donation from parents; however no selected girl will be turned away from the program for financial reasons. AAUW Amador raises money for this program through the annual Home Tour.

For additional information, or if you wish to donate to this program specifically, please contact the Tech Trek chair.