



RE: WESTEC – Student Innovation Tour  
DATE: May 11, 2017

SME cordially invites you and your CTE/STEM high school students to **discover and explore** the world of **advanced manufacturing** and a **brand new learning experience at WESTEC 2017**.

The **Student Innovation Tour** is co-located with the [WESTEC event taking place at the Los Angeles Convention Center](#), 1201 South Figueroa Street, Los Angeles, CA 90015. It is a **first come, first served registration** process with only **200-high school students attending each day** from **September 12-14, 2017 from 8:30 AM – 1:00 PM**.

**Your school can invite pre-engineering or career and technical education students and faculty staff** to accompany your group. Please maintain a ratio of at least one chaperone per ten students.

Students will explore exhibits of advanced technologies, talk with industry experts, see the latest manufacturing innovations, and meet university students studying advanced manufacturing careers. An exciting tour stop for students is to compete in the [Ripple3D additive manufacturing challenge](#) hands-on student activity.

**The schedule is as follows:**

TIME	ACTIVITY
8:30 AM	Schools arrive and check-in
9:00 AM – 9:30 AM	Kick-off Student Innovation Tour
9:30 AM – 1:00 PM	Show Tour & 3D Student Challenge
1:00 PM	Departure



**To begin the registration process** and select your preferred date for attending the SME Student Innovation Tour, please fill out the [WESTEC Student Innovation Tour Inquiry page](#). Please don't wait to register as space is limited – **FIRST come, FIRST served registration.**

Upon confirming your schools participation, ***SME will email a registration link and password to your key contact to preregister each participant in the SME Registration Center for your school.*** Students in your group in grades 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> or over the age of 13, who are officially registered as described above will be welcomed to attend.

Finally, [all students and educators are automatically eligible for a gift of free SME High School Membership](#), details to follow after your school is registered.

**Communications** to each school from SME will be **through your school key contact** who will register your group. **All schools must be registered by August 24, 2017.**

Please contact Pat Isham at [pisham@sme.org](mailto:pisham@sme.org) or 313.425.3151 with questions.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'DBilalton'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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