

Introducing



May 1-11, 2020

Remake Learning Days Across America (RLDAA) is a learning festival that celebrates the many learning opportunities in a community. This celebration highlights innovative experiences and opportunities for youth to develop their sense of creativity, perseverance and curiosity.

A variety of organizations — such as schools, museums, libraries, after school organizations, early child care centers, universities, media centers, tech startups and more — open their doors and host events for families to learn together.

These events are designed to be hands-on, relevant and engaging educational experiences for youth and their families and caregivers. The majority of events are free and open to kids of all ages.

Join our regional learning ecosystem to bring this festival to life with our own Kansas City twist when Remake Learning Days-Kansas City makes its debut!

A neighborhood-to-nation opportunity to celebrate innovations in learning

Remake Learning Days takes place annually as a multi-day period (typically a week in May) that encompasses multiple hosted events—informal gatherings designed to create and sustain relationships between the educators, innovators and change agents in Kansas City’s learning ecosystem. Remake Learning Days events provide opportunities to activate, build or celebrate relevant work to remake learning in neighborhoods, communities and regions.

A public voice for under-the-radar efforts

The evolution of learning experiences can seem abstract or programmatic, yet remarkable achievements and moments of discovery happen through the efforts of individuals and groups experimenting with engaging ways to learn. Remake Learning Days provides a vehicle for presenting and demonstrating these efforts to a wider audience both locally and nationwide.

Critical mass

Even with many people and organizations actively remaking learning in a city or region, it can be difficult to “see” it or to fully understand the magnitude of change. Remake Learning Days concentrates both hosts and participants into a visible, coherent presence.

Multiple, personal points of engagement

Rather than a single event, Remake Learning Days encompasses a large number of events over nearly two weeks, distributed across communities, suited to multiple age and education levels, and covering a wide variety of themes and interest areas: science, technology, arts, making, outdoor learning, youth voices and more.

Cross-pollinating connections

Youth, caregivers—and learners of all ages—can sample fresh ways and things to learn. Remake Learning Days also gives educators, organizations, funders and other stakeholders the opportunity to form collaborative links.

Commitments and calls to action

Although Remake Learning Days has no specific, overt policy component, the emphasis on positive, hands-on experiences, and creative and intellectual joys of inquiry and exploration have encouraged leaders, policymakers and administrators to support and fund tens of millions of dollars in new learning opportunities that encourage these outcomes.

Access and equity

It’s no secret that great learning environments and experiences are not always equally available. Remake Learning Days provides a means to throw open the doors so that every person has access to every possible opportunity.

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Get involved with Remake Learning Days - Kansas City!

HOST AN EVENT AT YOUR SITE OR WITH A PARTNER

1. Plan an activity or event to take place any time from May 1-11, 2020. (Or submit a relevant existing event!)

Consider which learning theme your event fits within and think about how to make it hands-on and engaging. Can you collaborate with another partner to extend your reach or enhance your event? Hands-on learning activities and programs, open houses, behind-the-scenes tours, pop up events in a park or even professional development sessions all fit.

Collaborative events that focus on diverse, equitable and inclusive learning are encouraged! See <https://remakelearningdays.org/submit-an-event/> for more event planning information and details about how to submit your event.

2. Apply for a mini-grant.

Nonprofits may apply for grants of up to \$250 per organization to help offset costs. To be considered, you must agree to:

- >> Submit your event details to the RLD website.
- >> Take a photo during your event and post to social media (or share by email).
- >> Complete a simple post-event survey.

Grants will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis. Special consideration will be given to requests received by **FEBRUARY 10, 2020**. For more details and the application form, visit kcstem.info/RemakeLearningDays2020.

3. Post your activity or event on the Remake Learning Days Across America website

To be included in the national publicity push for Remake Learning Days Across America, submit your events to the RLD website by Feb. 14. All events in the Kansas City region will appear on Kansas City's regional page and, if posted at least three weeks ahead of the event, will automatically be cross-posted on STEM Connect-KC for additional exposure. Questions? Contact Callen Fairchild Zind at czind@kcstem.org.

4. Promote your event/s (and Remake Learning Days-KC) to your own networks

A social media toolkit with suggested posts and hashtags will be shared this spring.

BE PART OF THE MAY 1 KICKOFF EVENT

To build awareness and excitement for Remake Learning Days, a kickoff event will take place 5-8 p.m. Friday, May 1, at Union Station-Kansas City.

This family-friendly outdoor event will bring hands-on fun for all ages. Traveling STEM exhibits will complement food trucks on site and the traditional First Friday fun in the neighboring Crossroads Arts District. Here are three ways you can get involved:

1. If your organization has a mobile outreach unit (i.e. zoomobile or similar), fill out an application to be part of the action!
2. Set up a table to share an activity or to promote upcoming events and programs, including any events you're planning for Remake Learning Days, summer camps, etc. (Bring your own table/chairs).
3. Volunteer! We will need help with greeting, wayfinding, driving and tracking attendance, etc.

Details and forms are available at kcstem.info/RemakeLearningDays2020

SERVE ON A SUB-COMMITTEE

1. KICKOFF EVENT COMMITTEE

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