

**Press Release**

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**CAMP INVENTION<sup>®</sup> SCIENCE CAMP AT RES**

One hundred and fourteen girls and boys in grades 1-6 attended **Camp Invention<sup>®</sup>**, a weeklong science camp, at Resurrection College Prep High School during the week of June 27 to July 1, 2011. Resurrection hosted the **Camp Invention<sup>®</sup> SPARK Program**, which is sponsored by Invent Now<sup>®</sup> Kids, a subsidiary of the National Inventors Hall of Fame Foundation. **Camp Invention<sup>®</sup>** is a hands-on camp program that explores science applications through inventions, experiments and games.



Names of students pictured in photos listed at the end of the press release.

The Camp Invention program at Resurrection was coordinated by Science Department Chair Dawn Konow. This is the third summer that Resurrection College Prep hosted the program. Students from Resurrection and other area schools worked as volunteer counselors during the week in order to facilitate each group of children as they explored the modules. Thirty three Resurrection students or alumnae volunteered a total of 1,254 volunteer hours to help make the program a success. Many of the Resurrection students volunteers are members of the National Honor Society or Future Educators of America. A teaching staff of five certified teachers and fifteen teacher's aids taught the five modules that made up the week's curriculum.

During the **Curious Cypher Club™** module, children helped to stop mysterious messages being sent to the *Curious Cypher Club!* They built a clubhouse and cracked puzzling codes. In the **Bounce! An Atomic Journey™** module students bounced their way through atoms, molecules, mixtures, and compounds to discover the science behind balls, and they created their own bouncy ball to take home. The **W!LD: Wondrous Innovations and Living Designs™** module taught child to explore how cuttlefish, beetles, and geckos alike and investigate the most innovative survival traits on the planet.

One of the highlights of the program is the **I Can Invent: Edison's Workshop™** module. Students take apart a broken machine and see what's inside. Then they use its gears, guts, and gadgets to create ball-rolling and complex machines to perform simple tasks. During the **Game On: Power Play™** module, students practiced teamwork, coordination, and creative problem-solving skills as they explored new games and add their own twist to create high-energy challenges.

On Friday, July 1, 2011 parents had the opportunity to attend the *Camp Invention Inventor's Showcase*. The showcase presented the work that the students created during the week and was an opportunity for parents and children to share what was learned. Resurrection College Prep High School plans to offer **Camp Invention®** again next summer.

Resurrection College Prep High School is a Catholic, Christian college preparatory high school for young women located at 7500 West Talcott Avenue in Chicago. For more information about Resurrection College Prep High School, call 773.775.6616 Ext 129 or [www.reshs.org](http://www.reshs.org).

### **Students pictured in photos:**

Top left - pictured left to right: Ally Cantrell, Emily Hoover, Elida Sepich, Emma Dunderdale and Amy Hoover.

Top right - pictured left to right: Aiden Lefler and Eliza Salus

Bottom left - pictured left to right: Nora Murawski, Maggie Thompson, Emily Duque, Kasia Baranek and Christina Morehead.

Bottom right - pictured left to right: Alexandra Muscolino, Ally Cantrell and Michelle Nucup.