

AAUW Receives \$12,000 Grant to Host 2015 Tech Trek at SWOSU

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Tech Trek at SWOSU planning committee members for the 2015 camp are (front from left): Adina Foust (family coordinator), Lisa Appeddu (camp director), Jonna Myers (volunteer coordinator) and Lisa Friesen (social media director). Back from left—Lori Gwyn (fundraising coordinator), Jorie Edwards (student coordinator), Debbie Brown (marketing coordinator) and Cindi Albrightson (program director). Not pictured are: Kathy O’Neal (financial coordinator), Brandi Rizzi (marketing coordinator) and Kristin Woods (assessment coordinator).

The Weatherford branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) has received a \$12,000 grant from AAUW to once again host a Tech Trek camp in the summer of 2015 on the Weatherford campus of Southwestern Oklahoma State University.

The grant will be used to plan and implement the AAUW National Tech Trek pilot program at SWOSU. This will be the third consecutive summer for SWOSU to host a Tech Trek camp, which is a week-long science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) camp designed to create interest, excitement and self-confidence in young women entering the eighth grade.

Tech Trek at SWOSU is currently planned for June 7-13, 2015. To be considered for one of the 40 spots, teachers can nominate current 7th grade girls from any school in Oklahoma starting in January 2015. Nominated girls then fill out a camper application by mid-March and are notified by mid-April of their selection. Thanks to the generosity of donors, it only costs a \$50 reservation fee for campers to attend.

For more information, go to <http://weatherford-ok.aauw.net/techtrek/> or email ttswsu@gmail.com.

Members of the planning committee include, Dr. Lisa Appeddu, camp director; Dr. Lori Gwyn, fundraising coordinator; Cindi Albrightson, program director; Jonna Myers, volunteer coordinator; Kristin Woods, assessment coordinator; Dr. Jorie Edwards, student coordinator; Adina Foust, family coordinator; Lisa Friesen, social media director; Brandi Rizzi, marketing coordinator; Debbie Brown, marketing coordinator; and Kathy O’Neal, financial coordinator.