## 2024 BE WISE STEM CAMP

Be WISE (Women in Science Education) is a 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls' camp that has been held since the summer of 1989. Girls enjoy a week at camp in a university setting while working in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). Through the past 35 years approximately 3000 girls have attended this camp.

Be WISE Camp's mission is to develop interest, excitement, and self-confidence in middle school girls in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM). The camp is designed to provide real-life, hands-on experiences in STEM using problem solving and thinking skills. We hope to encourage and motivate the girls to enroll in more STEM classes at the high school and college levels to prepare them for careers in a STEM field. The goal of the camp was to inspire middle school girls into taking as many math and science classes as they could through middle school and high school.

Sunday, June 9 - Friday, June 14 Muskingum University, New Concord

Website: bewisecamp.org Application Deadline: April 30

Cost is \$600 (Crawford County as well as need-based scholarships available)



#### **CURRICULUM**

**ECOLOGY -** reduce our imprint on the Earth.

STREAM - design a watershed community, dissect a crayfish, and catch critters in the stream.

MATH 7 - build tetrahedral kites, use proportions to change a recipe and bake for the whole camp.

PHYSICS - experiment with Newton's Laws of Motion using technology to measure distance, velocity, and acceleration.

**ASTRONOMY** - study the solar system, phases of the moon, and design models of planetary landing vehicles.

CHEMISTRY - learn about atoms, elements, molecules, compounds, and test different items with household ingredients.

MATH 8 - design, construct, and test the structural integrity of a bridge using principles of physics and economics.

**POND** - as a limnologist, your job is to decide if the pond is healthy, conducting several chemical tests.

### **EVENING PROGRAMS**

Various women in the STEM field present on their field of expertise such as a licensed wildlife rehabilitator, showing a collection of reptiles and amphibians; an arachnologist, discussing the benefits of spiders, followed by a spider hunt; and a representative from the Ohio Canid Center brought a beautiful wolf named Lucian.

#### **STAFF MEMBERS**

Teachers from all over Ohio oversee Be WISE with many of our staff having taught at camp for over 5 years. High school, college, and post college girls with previous Be WISE camp experience are hired as counselors or counselors-in-training.

To apply for camp, visit bewisecamp.org.



# Crawford County Scholarship Application Be WISE Middle School Girls' STEM Camp



Where Girls Succeed

The Bucyrus American Legion Post 181 as well as anonymous donors are awarding scholarships for Be WISE Girls' STEM Camp. Winners earn \$300, half of the \$600 camp tuition. Eligible participants are girls entering 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade for the 2024-25 school year (current 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade students). Scholarship funds will be sent to Be WISE STEM Camp after half of the tuition is paid by the family. Completed scholarship applications are to be given to your school counselor by Friday, April 5.

First Name	Last Name	Last Name	
Address			
Parent/Guardian Name	Phone # _		
School	Grade	Birthday	
Why do you think it is important to	study Math and Science?		
Why do you want to attend a Summ	ner STEM Camp?		
What career would you like to have	after high school and college and w	hy?	

<sup>\*</sup> The applicant must attend a middle school in Crawford County (Buckeye Central, Bucyrus, Colonel Crawford, Crestline, Galion, St. Bernard's, Wayside Christian, Wynford).

