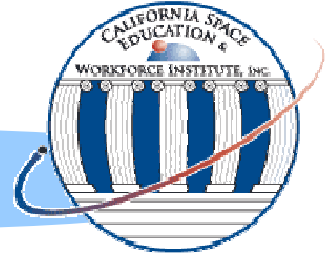


California Innovation Corridor Aerospace Community Development Program



The California Space Education & Workforce Institute (CSEWI) will be offering several exciting opportunities for aerospace professionals to help attract young people to careers in aerospace via “aerospace community development” activities.

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITES

Aerospace Outreach Speakers — Let students know what you do and how you got there as an Aerospace Outreach Speaker. As we get requests from teachers and students (focus is on 8th grade and above), we will match you with an event to attend and talk.

- Commitment: Varies (depends on amount of requests we get from teachers/students, our ability to match them with a speaker who can discuss the topic they wish to hear about, and finally the speaker’s availability).
- How it works: You will be contacted and asked to fill out a form with your contact information, time availability (e.g. evenings and weekends), regional availability (e.g. South Bay region), and topics you are comfortable speaking about (e.g. ranging from how you got your job to what it’s like working at your company to GPS navigation or orbital mechanics.)
- Once you’re in our database, you’ll be contacted if we find an event that seems like a good match based on your survey responses. Please note that we will *not* commit you to any event unless you explicitly agree to it. If you’re interested we will help you contact the school and set-up your talk. Contact: Daphne Dador, daphne.dador@csewi.org or 626-440-0565.
- Benefits to you: As an Aerospace Outreach Speaker you will be providing pivotal community service to young people and that’s something you can feel good about. Numerous studies show that in making their career choices, guidance from a professional is a strong influence on a student’s career path. Additionally, you will develop public speaking skills that are valuable for any professional. We may provide access to public speaking tips and workshops that you can attend also at your own discretion.
- Timeline: Scheduled to launch in January 2008

Aerospace Mentor — Correspond with a student aspiring to work in the aerospace industry using an Internet-based matching service. Based on an on-line survey that both students and mentors fill out, we’ll match you with a student, and after introductions and general discussion of expectations, you and your student will be able to communicate via e-mail.

- Commitment: On average, about 20 minutes, once a week. The amount of time you spend responding to your student’s e-mails is strictly up to you, but mentors must commit to one correspondence a week.
- How it works: You will be contacted to fill out a survey on a range of questions intended to help match you with a student. A background check may occur. From there you will be matched with a student from a California school in grades 8th or above. You will then go through a set of instructions on expectations of a mentor (e.g. responding at least once a week, maintain a positive attitude, etc.). From there you and your student will be introduced (electronically) and the amount of your correspondences are at your and your student’s discretion. Contact: Daphne Dador, daphne.dador@csewi.org or 626-440-0565.
- Benefits to you: You will provide invaluable advice and guidance to a young person’s career path, and that’s something to feel great about! And who knows, you may learn new things about yourself in the process!
- Timeline: Scheduled to launch in January 2008

3) Student and “New Space Professional” Aerospace Survey — What motivates (or motivated) you to work in the aerospace industry? Participants in this survey will contribute to a national study being done on inspiring (and recruiting) the next generation of aerospace workers.

- Timeline: Scheduled to go live in March 2008, with the results analyzed in April.
- How it works: If you’re interested in participating in this on-line survey and/or know of others who would be interested in filling out the survey, please contact: Matt Everingham, Manager, CSA, at 805-349-2633 or matt.everingham@californiaspaceauthority.org.

4) Aerospace Community Company Tour

Spread the word, we are providing exciting aerospace community service opportunities . You can help by assisting us in setting up a meeting at your company! Meetings can be formal, informal, big, or small, to suit your needs. All we ask is that you get at least five of your co-workers (including yourself) together and we’ll bring the pizza or coffee or any other goodies that would fit the occasion. This is also your chance to learn more about the California Space Education & Workforce Institute and its parent organization, the California Space Authority, and how both these organizations might benefit you in the future.

- Timeline: First company visits start January 2008.
- How it works: Contact Daphne Dador at daphne.dador@csewi.org or (626) 440-0565 and we’ll work to find a mutually agreeable time!

About the Organizer

The California Space Education & Workforce Institute (CSEWI) is a 501(c)(3) organization that works closely with its parent organization, the California Space Authority (CSA). CSEWI’s mission is to inspire parents, educators, and students to engage in California-based space-related education and to attract, integrate and retain a robust California space workforce.

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For questions about WIRED and/or the projects listed above, please contact: Daphne Dador, Manager, CSEWI, at 626-440-0565 or daphne.dador@csewi.org.

