



SciGirls CONNECT: 2015 Train the Trainer Program Call for Applications: Open to Current NGCP Collaboratives

SciGirls CONNECT provides *SciGirls* training workshops that integrate inquiry-based science instruction with a commitment to gender equity. In 2015 *SciGirls* will be releasing Season Three, which follows groups of girls on exciting adventures with female scientists as they focus on the newest frontier in science education – engaging kids in scientific research with citizen science.

Educators selected to attend the 2015 Train the Trainer Program will learn the latest research about exciting and engaging girls (and boys) in STEM; experience hands-on STEM activities; and gain access to free materials for hands-on, video-enhanced activities that put a creative twist on teaching STEM. The 2015 Train the Trainer Program will focus specifically on materials, resources and episodes from *SciGirls* Season Three.

In this Network Project opportunity, NGCP is looking for Collaboratives to identify one individual to become a Certified *SciGirls* Trainer on behalf of the Collaborative. This individual will participate in the Train the Trainer Program to bring *SciGirls* educational resources and gender equity strategies to the local Collaborative network. The Trainer can be the Collaborative Lead or any individual currently serving on the Leadership Team or Champions Board.

Trainers will receive information about *SciGirls* and gender equity research to prepare them to run full-day trainings for formal and/or informal educators as well as present at professional conferences and host *SciGirls* episode screenings on behalf of their Collaborative.

Certified *SciGirls* Trainer/Collaborative Benefits:

- Train the Trainer professional development workshop held in St. Paul, May 13 - 15, 2015 (at no cost to the Collaborative).
- Valuable strategies and techniques for training adult audiences that will translate to any future professional development workshops.
- Certification as a *SciGirls* trainer and priority access to all educational materials.
- Opportunities to lead trainings, screenings, conference presentations, etc. with *SciGirls* materials on behalf of the Collaborative.
- Take part in a mentorship program involving monthly conversations with *SciGirls* Partner Organizations nationwide regarding *SciGirls* program implementation and updates.

Expectations of the Collaborative and its Certified *SciGirls* Trainer

- Attend a pre-training online webinar on April 16th, 2015 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM PST.
- Travel to the Train the Trainer professional development workshop May 13-15, 2015, in St. Paul, MN. (Domestic travel costs to the training covered by *SciGirls*.)
- Coordinate and lead two full day training workshops on *SciGirls* educational materials and strategies by Dec 31, 2015. Each training should have at minimum 20 attendees. (*SciGirls* will not cover travel costs but will ship workshop supplies, including handouts, to one full day training workshop).
- Host one *SciGirls* Season Three episode screening for at least 30 girls. This screening should be coordinated in conjunction with at least one other organization within the local Collaborative network.

NGCP will provide sample invitations, outreach messages and a suggested guide to follow when facilitating the screening. A small amount of funding will be available to Collaboratives to host the screening.

- Participate in evaluation processes. This involves collecting data from participants at the workshops, completing online evaluation forms, and participating in phone calls with the external evaluator.

What is the application process?

Application materials must be submitted by **January 29, 2015** to Nimisha Ghosh Roy at nghoshroy@ngcproject.org. Participants will be selected by **February 12, 2015**.

Application Materials include the Application Form, a one page Trainer Resume, and a Letter of Support from the Trainer's Employer.

Information Meeting Connection Details:

An online information meeting for interested NGCP Collaboratives and Trainers will be held on **Tuesday January 20, 2015** from 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM PST

Connection Details:

URL: <http://connectpro35337274.adobeconnect.com/ngcplteams/>

Audio: 1-866-642-1665; Participant Code: 596741



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Information about Collaborative:

Collaborative Name: _____

Collaborative Lead(s): _____

Information about the Collaborative SciGirls Trainer:

Name: _____

Email: _____

Employer: _____

Do you have support from your employer to participate in the Train the Trainer program? If so, please attach a letter of support. If no, please describe how you will manage SciGirls responsibilities.

Please list any languages (other than English) that you speak fluently.

Describe your experience(s) leading professional development workshops/classes.

Describe your experience(s) in mentoring professionals.

General Questions:

Describe Collaborative or Trainer experience, if any, with SciGirls Programs in the past (summer camps, weekly school/after school programs, one day programs, etc). Previous experience is NOT required.

Describe how participating in the SciGirls CONNECT: 2015 Train the Trainer Program will advance the goals of the Collaborative?

Describe the Collaborative outreach plan to successfully implement two workshops and one screening. Describe how you will engage diverse partners and resources within your network.

Outline 2-3 strategies the Collaborative will employ to support the SciGirls Program in their region once the project is completed.