

STEAM EXPO

## **April 25, 2024** 9 AM - 1:40 PM Orr Building Illinois State Fairgrounds Springfield, IL

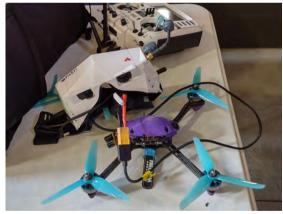
# **EXHIBITOR OPPORTUNITIES**

CareerSpark is a hands-on, interactive work and career readiness experience designed to spark students' interest in the exciting careers in the STEAM fields.

Join us as an exhibitor for an exciting event tailored for 8th-grade students, where the world of Science, Engineering, Technology, Arts and Mathematics (STEAM) comes to life!

### HIGHLIGHTS:

- No fee to exhibit
- Free admission and parking
- Be part of an event that introduces students to new STEAM opportunities!



### Learn More and Apply to be an Exhibitor (spaces limited)

www.illinois.gov/doit-steam

### Hosted by

Illinois Department of Innovation & Technology, Junior Achievement of Central IL, Learning Technology Center of Illinois, Lincoln Land Community College, Regional Office of Education #51, Springfield Sangamon Growth Alliance and University of Illinois at Springfield

#### Goals of the Expo:

- Provide opportunities for 8th-grade students to explore STEAM careers while helping schools meet PaCE Framework requirements.
- Showcase innovative schools, businesses/ companies, government inititiaves, Illinois colleges and universities, labs, and organizations with demonstrations, services, research, and products fueled by STEAM.
- Expand possible career interests with interactive and engaging exhibits.
- Cultivate digital literacy awareness and opportunities.
- Connect students with career professionals to better understand possible STEAM career paths and expose them to careers in emerging technologies outside traditional career paths.
- Celebrate diversity and connect underrepresented groups with inclusive career path opportunities.



