

# HackBloomfield

## Staff Supervisor Information Sheet

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#### What is a hackathon?

To be clear, a hackathon is not "hacking" in the malicious sense. In this context, the term refers to making a useful product in a short period of time. A hackathon is a student-run 24- or 36-hour long event where students get together to build a project and learn new programming concepts. For many, it is their first programming experience. A hackathon is a great opportunity to learn STEM skills and teamwork.

## What is Major League Hacking?

Major League Hacking (MLH) is an organization with the sole purpose of making it easier for hackathons to be run. They help in finding sponsors, securing a venue, and even send a representative to the event to ensure it goes smoothly. MLH immensely simplifies the process of organizing a hackathon, and has made hackathons more "mainstream" in recent years.

### Why do we need you?

We're currently looking for a staff supervisor in order to help us work with the school's administration in order to get this event approved and to use the school building for the weekend of the event. The staff supervisor will also need to be present for the event on May 20-21. Ideally, the staff supervisor should have some minor interest or knowledge in programming or computer science, but this is not at all necessary. Most importantly, the staff supervisor should have experience running large events and helping to ensure that they go well.