



Massachusetts Institute of Technology
**Society of Women
Engineers**



Dear Parents,

The Society of Women Engineers at MIT is pleased to invite your daughter to participate in Women in Science and Engineering. WiSE is a mentoring program dedicated to opening avenues into the scientific community for high school girls grades 9 to 11. We hope to provide your daughter with opportunities to explore her academic and career interests.

WiSE participants will benefit from a close relationship with MIT mentors. Girls are specifically matched with undergraduate mentors with similar interests and who can serve as resources. Participants attend monthly, day-long WiSE sessions with their mentors. Each session features academic programming such as lectures and lab tours in the morning and career development programming such as college panels and mock interview practice in the afternoon. Last year our sessions included talks from the MIT Admissions Office, visits to the MIT Museum, hands-on activities with the MIT Media Lab, and much more!

To kick off this year's program, we will be holding a conference on **Saturday, October 15, 2011**. During the conference, participants will have the chance to meet the WiSE mentors. Our goal is for each girl to find a mentor with whom she can contact with any questions ranging from specific majors to the college admissions process.

To register your daughter for the conference, please fill out the attached permission form and publicity release form, and mail them to the following address by Saturday, October 15, 2010:

Women in Science and Engineering
c/o MIT Public Service Center, 4-104
77 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139

The forms may also be faxed to (617) 258-9357.

Logistical information about the program is as follows:

- The WiSE conference will take place at MIT on **Saturday, October 15, 2011 from 10:00am to 2:00pm**. Mentors will be waiting on the steps of 77 Massachusetts Avenue to escort the girls to the day's first activity. Pick-up will also be at this location.
- MIT is easily accessible by public transportation. If transportation is a problem please contact the Public Service Center.
- **Lunch, and afternoon snacks will be provided by WiSE.**
- In the case of an emergency on the day of the conference, call Diane Amanti at (978) 265-8889, Marianna See at (214) 455-0814, or the campus police at (617) 253-1212.
- **Please note:** In order for your daughter to participate, a WiSE permission slip and publicity release form **must** be completed and returned to us. **Before each session, we will call and/or email to confirm your daughter's registration and expected attendance.**



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We are also enclosing a flier for WiSE; please feel free to make copies and distribute them in your neighborhood, community, and school! If you have any questions, please contact Diane Amanti or Marianna See by email at swewise@mit.edu.

We hope that your daughter will choose to join the WiSE community; opportunity and excitement await!

Sincerely,

Diane Amanti & Marianna See
2011 WiSE Coordinators