## FedEx Institute offers all-female hackathon

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The FedEx Institute of Technology is uniting with tech organizations in Memphis to offer an all-women's hackathon.



ATHENA{techne} will be held virtually Friday and Saturday, Sept. 11-12. This year's event - TECH LIKE A GIRL - is free and encourages women to come together, collaborate on projects, ideas, trends and attend sessions highlighting opportunities for women in technology.

"As the FedEx Institute of Technology works to build Memphis' reputation as a leading destination for emerging technologies and tech innovation, the commitment to building diversity in the tech community is vital to realizing that goal and will help Memphis tech be competitive globally," said Mary Ann Dawson, assistant director of the FedEx Institute of Technology.

"ATHENA{techne} provides women in this region an opportunity to come together and showcase the amazing talent that this community has to offer."

Although women make up more than half the college-educated workforce, only 28% of the STEM workforce is female.

Programs specifically designed to encourage young women to engage in the experience will be available, as it open to females 13-years-old and up.

Black Girls Code, Blockchain901, Tech901, Memphis Public Libraries and CodeCrew are partners.

Register at <a href="https://www.athenatechne.com">https://www.athenatechne.com</a>.

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