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TeenHacks LI: to Host 300 High School Students for Its Third 24-hour Coding Competition

Student-run Hackathon in Long Island

Old Westbury, NY - Teenage activism and involvement in our community has grown throughout the decade. Nowadays, teens around the world are taking immediate action on world issues that have yet to be touched by older generations. Two years ago, Jeffrey Yu of the University of Pennsylvania and Wesley Pergament from Jericho High School created TeenHacks LI, an organization that aims to create a collaborative and creative coding environment. At this event, high school students have the opportunity to solve real-world issues, from climate change to inequitable education.

TeenHacks LI is excited to host its third hackathon event on November 9th to 10th, at the New York Institute of Technology Long Island Campus. Bringing over 300 students from all over the nation, TeenHacks LI is creating the biggest cooperative hacking space for high schoolers in all of Long Island. This event will showcase an even greater variety of exciting opportunities for its participants in terms of prizes, hardware, workshops, and software.

In terms of activities, their third event will host a machine learning workshop, which is going to be held by Microsoft, Minecraft Mods workshop, video game tournament and Major League Hacking mini-events that will allow the students to take a break from coding and connect with other participants. In addition, attendees will get the chance to win a myriad of prizes such as internship matching sponsored by Empowerly and BestFit as well as an opportunity to meet with professional engineers. Furthermore, the event will feature an entrepreneurial track, which will fund the best prize to bring their project to life. Lastly, they have a health and wellness prize track sponsored by Guardian Life. More prizes include programmable robots sponsored by iRobot, graphic drawing tablets sponsored by Wacom, solar-powered chargers sponsored by ThinkOcean, and many more. They will also be featuring a Women in STEM panel with Jessica O. Matthews, CEO of Uncharted Powers. TeenHacks LI is partnered with Hack Club Bank, Major League Hacking, the New York Institute of Technology, Leangap, and many more to bring one of the best high school run technology events to Long Island for other high school students.



“History shows us that great innovation and discovery can happen at any age. Now more than ever, our future depends on the next generation’s ability to collaborate to harness creativity in order to solve some of the most intractable challenges we face,” said Laura Curran, Nassau County Executive. “TeenHacks LI is vital because they promote breakthroughs in scientific innovation but also inspire our young people to pursue careers in STEM.”

High school students can apply now at <https://teenhacksli.com>!

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