



Engineering & Technology Education Day

Annual Engineering /Technology Education Day
Indiana State House Rotunda
February 11, 2009

The Engineering / Technology Educators of Indiana invite you to participate in the North Atrium of the Indiana State House Rotunda on February 11th, 2009. This is the premier opportunity for you to help educate the public and elected officials about Engineering and Technology Education in Indiana schools.

This is a fantastic opportunity for you and your students to speak with legislators in order to help them understand the importance of this program in Indiana schools. This year we plan to emphasize how engineering and technology education have merged within our state curriculum. Special recognition will be paid to the Indiana Department of Workforce Development who has greatly enhanced opportunities for students to pursue careers in STEM, especially in Engineering and Technological studies with financial support and leadership in supporting *Project Lead the Way*, *advanced manufacturing*, robotics programs, and much more!

All schools are invited to participate, but space is limited! Additionally, this year we would like to feature a wide variety of schools and curricular programs that showcase topics such as: transportation, manufacturing, construction, communication, design, engineering, middle school programs, Super Mileage, FIRST robotics, PLTW and more! All in the North Atrium of the Indiana State House Rotunda!

Questions & Answers

- **Why should we attend?** This is your opportunity to feature the best practices of engineering & technology education to the public and legislators. Often they know very little about the many fantastic opportunities that students may gain from your programs.
- **What might the students learn?** The students will gain first hand experience in informal public speaking and they may have a once in a lifetime opportunity to visit with legislators. Additionally they may also see the Indiana legislative chambers to get a better understanding of the state government.
- **What might I gain?** This opportunity will provide you a professional opportunity to network with fellow teachers/leaders (like you) in the content area of Engineering & Technology Education & as well as universities such as Indiana State University, Purdue University, and Ball State University who often are in attendance. Additionally representatives from the Indiana Department of Education will visit with you. Finally you may also gain the unique opportunity to share with legislators information about your programs.
- **Do I have to be an E/TEI member or have an Indiana FIRST Robotics team to attend?** No, we want to feature the great things that are happening across the state and to provide students with the unique opportunity to visit the Indiana State House.
- **This sounds exciting! How do I reserve a space for my school and students?** That is easy, for more information contact Gary Gray at ggray@mail.valpo.k12.in.us