

TESTIMONIALS

"This is the fourth year that Orange Elementary SD has hosted the Camp Invention program. The impact of programming of this caliber is threefold... children have fun learning 21st century life skills through STEM activities, educators receive quality professional development, and the district as a whole is invigorated – from parent accolades to a shared enthusiasm in the classroom. Invent Now is partnering with school districts to usher in a new generation of innovators."

-Tim James, Superintendent

"Camp Invention was a phenomenal experience... Both students and teachers learned a lot and had wonderful, hands-on experiences. I have also reflected on how I will adapt my teaching this upcoming school year. I need to include more group work, hands-on experiences, real-world connections, and MUCH more creative problem solving. Camp Invention was truly a unique summer experience and I feel fortunate to have been a part of it!"

-Carrie Monteleone, Instructor

"Because the jobs of the 21st century require competency in STEM, out-of-school time programs at the elementary level are the ideal solution for instilling its interest; nontraditional education settings are conducive to subject immersion, critical thinking, and creative problem solving – in other words, invaluable real-world experience."

-Cindy Moss, Ph.D.,
Director of Science and Math

"I have been an educator in Title I Schools for 28 years, and Camp Invention was the most rewarding experience that I have ever had."

-Beverly Stewart, Assistant Director

"I am especially impressed at the way the Camp Invention program carries over into gifted classes. When I ask for unusual ideas, my students remark, 'Just like Camp Invention, right?' I see more willingness to take risks and try new approaches from the kids who are Camp Invention alumni. Since our state and national standards are addressed through the Camp Invention program, I feel very strongly about promoting the program as a valuable enrichment tool available during the summer months."

-Jenni Clark, Enrichment Educator

"As a professional evaluator, I was sincerely impressed at the breadth and depth at which the Invent Now organization requested their program to be evaluated. They are sincere in their efforts to evolve and refine their product in an authentic manner, in order to help prepare youth for success in the 21st century."

-AnneMarie Scarisbrick-Hauser, Ph.D.,
Professional Evaluator

