

## “Invention Convention” Application Packet

Please complete the following forms and return to The BEST Center by faxing to 585-345-6890, emailing [bestcenter@genesee.edu](mailto:bestcenter@genesee.edu) or by mailing to:

The BEST Center  
Attention: Lauren Cummings  
Genesee Community College  
One College Road  
Batavia, New York 14058

### Student Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade entering Fall 2012: \_\_\_\_\_ School attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Why have you chosen to enroll your child in this program? \_\_\_\_\_

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I agree to allow my child to participate in the Invention Convention at Genesee Community College for the week of July 16<sup>th</sup> through July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Scholarships** are available for students enrolling in the Invention Convention Program. If interested please complete the scholarship form found in this packet.

**“The Invention Convention Scholarship for Middle School Students” 2012  
Scholarship Application**

1. **DEADLINE for scholarship applications is June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2012.** (No exceptions please)
2. Refer to criteria below for student eligibility requirements. Refer to application process below for a list of the supporting documents needed (i.e., letters of recommendation, evidence of academic registration, etc.). Incomplete applications will not be considered.
3. Please type or print legibly. Illegible applications will be returned to you. You may also download a copy of the application online at: [www.bestcenter.org](http://www.bestcenter.org)
4. If you have any questions about the application process, please email The BEST Center directly at: [lmlamattina@genesee.edu](mailto:lmlamattina@genesee.edu)

**Award Criteria:**

1. Student Applicant must be a registered student at a school in the GLOW (Genesee, Livingston, Orleans, Wyoming counties) Region
2. Student Applicant must be a 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, or 8<sup>th</sup> grade level student
3. Student Applicant must show evidence of being in good standing at their school
4. Student Applicant must show evidence of need (i.e. loss of school programming or funding, etc.)
5. Applicant must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident with a permanent resident ID

**Application Process:**

Parent/Guardian must submit the following items

1. Completed application form (if handwritten, please print legibly).
2. Letter of application addressed to the Invention Convention Selection Committee stating their intent to apply for the scholarship.
3. A character reference using the attached recommendation form for their child (i.e. from school counselors, teachers, school administrators, etc.).
4. Student Essay. The student is required to write an essay that addresses the following question:

***Why do you want to participate in the Invention Convention and what do you hope to get out of the experience? [600 words or less]***

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_

## Invention Convention School Counselor Recommendation Form

### Personal Characteristics Ranking

Characteristic	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	No Opportunity to Evaluate
Interest in creativity					
Motivation and initiative					
Trustworthiness and integrity					
Reliable and conscientious					
Capacity for independent study					
Respectful and courteous					
Level of maturity/social and emotional					
Willingness to abide by policies					
Written expression					
Leadership skills					
Ability to follow instructions					
Ability to adapt to new or unstructured environs					
Open mindedness					
Works well with others					
Receives and provides constructive criticism					
Student has resilience and is open to learning from failure when solving problems					

**How long have you known the student?**

**Have you known the student in a capacity other than as a counselor?**

**If so, how and for how long?**

**Counselor Comments: (Required)** Feel free to use a second sheet of paper if needed

**Signature/Title** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_



# Model Consent / Release Form

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## Please Print and Sign

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Participant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian Signature (If participant is under the age of 18): \_\_\_\_\_

Witness: \_\_\_\_\_

Program/Series: \_\_\_\_\_