

# Nebo Elementary School Department of Fine Arts

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## NECC 2009 Parent Information Sheet



### **Student Showcase Time:**

11:00 AM to 1:00 PM, Monday, June 29<sup>th</sup>

Table #2: Outside Room 102B

### **Location:**

Walter E. Washington Convention Center  
801 Mount Vernon Place, NW  
Washington, DC 20001



### **What Nebo Students will do at Showcase:**

In this student showcase, Nebo students will demonstrate games, simulations, and storytelling using Scratch and Alice. In addition, Nebo students will teach visitors how to create basic programs in Scratch and Alice. Through creating these programs, students learn how to encode logical and artistic thought in a dynamic system. Scratch programs allow students to express their thoughts and logic in a 2 dimensional environment. In Alice, students begin to conceptualize 3 dimensional space and movement as they animate and manipulate objects and methods.

Using both Scratch and Alice Nebo students apply math skills of angles, distance, direction, computation, and simulation, and learn computer science concepts such as conditionals, boolean logic, sequence, objects, properties, and methods. In addition and most important, Nebo students imagine, create, share, and express themselves creatively through digital technology so that they will not simply consume media, rather, they will create and share media with the world around them.

### **Schedule:**

#### **Monday, June 29<sup>th</sup>**

10:00 AM:

Meet at Convention Center:

Pick up Name Badges at Student Presenter

Registration counter Located in Hall D.

11:00 AM:

Showcase starts: Table #2 outside of Room 102B

1:00 PM:

Showcase over

1:00 PM to 1:45 PM:

Lunch on Your own

2:00 PM to 3:00 PM:

Assist Mr. Michaud with Alice class for

Adults (optional)

3:00 PM to 5:30 PM:

Tour Washington Mall - Air and Space Museum

6:00 PM:

Mr. Michaud treats students to dinner:

Location: Arlington County: To Be Determined

#### **Tuesday, June 30<sup>th</sup>**

11:00 AM to 12:00 PM:

Assist Mr. Michaud with Scratch Class (Optional)

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## **Lodging:**

I suggest finding Hotels in the outlying Suburbs. These hotels tend to be less expensive than City Hotels. Try to find a hotel near a Metro train stop - then you can take the train into and out of the City and avoid the challenges of parking and navigating DC.

## **Locations include:**

Alexandria, VA  
Arlington, VA  
Silver Spring, MD  
Falls Church, VA  
Vienna, VA  
Silver Spring, MD

## **Transportation:**

The Metro System of subways provides the most efficient method of transportation in Washington DC. Driving and parking in DC is a challenge. The Metro system runs several trains that cover a wide range of the City and outlying suburbs with fairly clean and modern train platforms and stations.

The Orange line runs from DC west out through Arlington, Falls, Church, and out to Vienna. The Blue line runs from DC to Arlington Cemetery and the Reagan National Airport. I have provided a Map of the Metro System to help guide your planning.

## **Overview of NECC:**

The National Educational Computing Conference is the biggest educational technology gathering in the United States. Teachers, Technical Directors, Software Engineers, Vendors, College Faculty, Administrators, and Leaders in Educational Technology gather for 3 days for workshops, product demonstrations, and networking. Over 15,000 people attend this conference each year.

Our students will see and experience technology and people from all over the country. Around the Convention Center there will be showcases, displays, and technology for students to interact with. There will also be a large Convention Hall where Vendors have products to demonstrate and share.

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**Be sure to see the "Playgrounds" where students can use the latest Educational software.**

## **Playgrounds**

Playgrounds are single or multi-day events that provide educators with opportunities to "play" with interactive technologies for creativity and learning.

### **21st Century Media Center Playground**

*Monday, June 29, 8 am–4 pm*

Connect with other library media specialists and teachers to learn about the latest technologies to support information literacy development; professional networking options, such as our successful Second Life virtual learning community; recommended Web 2.0 tools to use with students; and electronic resources, including websites, e-books, and audiobooks. Hosted by ISTE's SIGMS.

*Coordinator: Lisa Perez, Chicago Public Schools Department of Libraries & Information Services*

### **Digital Arts Playground**

*Monday, June 29, 8 am–4 pm; Tuesday, June 30, 9 am–4 pm; and Wednesday, July 1, 8 am–2 pm*

Jump into an exciting play place of digital media! Create a claymation scene, compose a musical soundtrack, play with digital video, layout a webpage or dive into graphic design. With a variety of activities and resources to choose from, your inner child will be delighted.

*Coordinator: Savilla Banister, Bowling Green State University*

### **Games and Simulations Arcade**

*Monday, June 29, 8 am–4 pm; Tuesday, June 30, 9 am–4 pm; and Wednesday, July 1, 8 am–2 pm*

Explore games and simulations for math, science, social studies, and more as well as tools for creating games and simulations. Hosted by ISTE's SIGGS.

*Coordinator: Jeremy Koester, Braver Consulting*

### **Open Source Playground**

*Monday, June 29, 8 am–4 pm; Tuesday, June 30, 9 am–4 pm; and Wednesday, July 1, 8 am–2 pm*

Explore stations that feature K12LTSP thin-clients and a wide range of free software including Linux, GIMP, OpenOffice, Mysql, Firefox, Moodle, and more.

*Coordinator: Steve Hargadon, CoSN/EdTechLive*

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## Websites with more information:

**NECC Website:**

<http://center.uoregon.edu/ISTE/NECC2009/>

**DC Metro System:**

<http://www.wmata.com/>

**Walter E. Washington Convention Center:**

<http://www.dccconvention.com/>

## Additional Meetings:

Monday, June 1st: Work on Projects (At Nebo)  
3:00 to 5:00 PM

Monday June 8th: Work on Projects (At Nebo)  
5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Monday, June 22nd: Work on Projects (At Nebo)  
5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

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