



DECATUR MAKERS announces the 2015-2016

# MAKER-SCHOLAR PROGRAM

A 1-year project of the Middle Georgia Regional Commission to produce standards-based design thinking curricula for middle and high schools.

## WHO can participate?

Decatur Makers is currently seeking:

**2 Teachers**  
**4 College Students**  
**6 Middle or High School Students**

to pilot and co-create curriculum materials and sample products. Multi-age teams will brainstorm and execute design processes to produce a product that helps people learn a STEM concept using a hands-on experience.

### If you are a **TEACHER:**

Your role as a Maker-Scholar is to lead the group in formulating lesson plans, assessments and kits that will be made available to educators. You will receive training and have access to the CreatomBuilder.com website which helps guide the development of curriculum using design thinking.

### If you are a **COLLEGE STUDENT:**

Your role as a Maker-Scholar is to assist in the design process by contributing your most awesome ideas, your academic talent, and most importantly your commitment to attend all work sessions and networking events so that you will gain in-depth knowledge of the process and the results.

### If you are a **MIDDLE OR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT:**

Your role as a Maker-Scholar is to learn how to design and make cool stuff. You will learn the safe way to use the equipment of a makerspace to create all kinds of things that you and your friends can use. Your attendance at all work sessions and events is required. You will gain some great experience that can help with college applications and future employment opportunities.

**ALL MAKER-SCHOLARS WILL RECEIVE A 1-YEAR BASIC MEMBERSHIP IN DECATUR MAKERS.**

## HOW TO APPLY:

Send a brief (200 word) essay or a multimedia product (video, audio, etc.) describing your interest in being a Maker-Scholar and what you can contribute to a team.

**Application Forms are available on the Decatur Makers website: [www.decaturmakers.org/maker-scholar-program](http://www.decaturmakers.org/maker-scholar-program)**

Applications will be reviewed by a committee of Decatur Makers members for fulfillment of the following criteria:

- alignment with academic position (teachers only)
- academic "good standing" (students only)
- interest in digital and other forms of "making"
- creativity
- collaborative spirit
- willingness and ability to attend all pilot-project events

**Application Deadline: April 1, 2015**

**Project Dates: May 1, 2015-April 30, 2016**

Applicants will be notified of selection by May 1, 2015.

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