Individual Giving
IGNITE Worldwide

MISSION

IGNITE Worldwide is the answer to achieving gender equity in STEM. We work directly with educators during the school day to provide programming that promotes STEM education and career advancement for girls* from historically marginalized communities. Through our award winning program we connect students with STEM professionals role models who live and work in their communities, to promote interest, education, and careers in STEM fields.

*We welcome any student who identifies as female, nonbinary, transgender, or agender. Our mission is focused on supporting underserved and marginalized youth, to encourage greater gender and racial diversity in STEM classes, clubs, opportunities, and careers.

VISION

We envision a world where every girl has IGNITE Worldwide at her school. All girls deserve equal access to STEM education during their school day, so they are aware of STEM opportunities and have the social and cultural capital to secure and thrive in a STEM career. IGNITE Worldwide promotes economic equality and workforce development by cultivating a diverse pipeline of talent and supporting a sustainable future for girls and their families.
Award-Winning and
NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED

- GeekWire Awards 2021 STEM Educator of the Year, presented to IGNITE Worldwide’s CEO & Founder
- 2020 Stevie Awards including: Grand Award Winner; Gold Stevie Winner Lifetime Achievement, Female Employee of the Year, Education Hero of the Year; Silver Stevie Winner Female Innovator of the Year, Most Innovative Woman of the Year, Woman of the Year, Organization of the Year; Community Involvement Program of the Year; Bronze Stevie Winner Most Valuable Non-Profit Response
- World Affairs Council “Community Spotlight Series” featuring IGNITE Worldwide international programming
- Freeman Means Business “Wonder Women in Business” Blogcast
- Global Good Awards Community Partnerships Finalist
- The Boeing Company Grant to launch Elementary Program
- U.S. Department of State and World Affairs Council Award for International Program
- National Science Foundation and White House OSTP Award for STEM Program Excellence
- KIRO Radio and WSECU Hometown Hero Award, presented to IGNITE Worldwide’s CEO & Founder
- Women in Tech Regatta Panel “Take Your Seat at the Table: Building Credibility”, moderated by IGNITE Worldwide’s Founder
- iHeart Media’s Seattle in the Community Show featuring IGNITE Worldwide
- National Alliance for Partnerships in Equity Unsung Hero Award
- CenturyLink Spirit of Service Award
- Anita Borg Institute for Women and Technology (AnitaB.org) Social Impact Award
- USA Today Article, Teaching for the Future: Steering Girls to Science
- The International Alliance for Women World of Difference 100 Award
- Women’s eNews Seven Who Stretch the Possible Award, presented to IGNITE Worldwide’s CEO and Founder
- “21st Century IGNITE STEM Act” presented by Senator Maria Cantwell
- Department of Education, State and National Best Practice Program Award
- Seattle Times Article, IGNITE Group Introduces Teenage Girls to High-Tech
- Cisco National Gender Equity Award
- Seattle Public Schools Newsletter Article, New Group IGNITEs Girls to Get Into High Tech
Our Students

NEED IGNITE

Accessible to students during the school day
The IGNITE Worldwide Program is designed to be accessible to all eligible schools, teachers, and students. Through IGNITE’s commitment to reaching students where they’re at, including expansion of the Virtual Program to more schools across the nation.

Equitable approach
IGNITE’s pledge to creating permanent change within STEM fields begins with an equitable approach. By sparking an interest in STEM education and career fields at an early age, IGNITE students are more interested and engaged in the opportunities available to them.

Intentional focus on under-served communities
Marginalized populations are being left behind in STEM. IGNITE Worldwide is intentional about reaching under-served communities through continued focus in prioritizing access to Title 1 Schools. To ensure that students have access to the IGNITE Program, events are offered during the school day in cooperation with teachers and their schools.

Diversity in the workforce
Diversity in the workforce propels innovation. Through an expansive network of mentors and advocates IGNITE Worldwide has built a supportive community of STEM educators and professionals, grounded in our shared values of diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility.

Dedicated program grounded in best practices
The IGNITE Program is grounded in best practice research, designed to achieve the highest impact possible for our students, educators, and volunteers. By providing customized training and tools, the IGNITE Program Team is able to support all aspects of Program Event so that attending students can benefit from not only the activities of the day-of event but also in opportunities offered with their school.

IGNITE Worldwide is Making a Difference

Female Enrollment in STEM Classes
Longitudinal Study of Seattle Area Schools (2013-2017)

Before Participating in IGNITE
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After Participating in IGNITE
<5%  >50%
IGNITE Worldwide

INDIVIDUAL GIVING LEVELS

ALL gifts make a permanent and lasting change! IGNITE Worldwide is dedicated to providing the IGNITE Program free to schools throughout the country and around the world. By making a donation, of any size, we are able to continue forward in our mission in making permanent and lasting change in gender and racial equity in STEM.

**Planetary Club** starting at $25 per month
Annual gifts totaling $300 up to $599.
Our appreciation includes entry into an annual drawing, winning entry will be announced at our Spring Gala.

**Stellar Club** starting at $50 per month
Annual gifts totaling $600 up to $999.
Donors will receive entry into our annual drawing and special recognition on our website and in our annual report.

**Galactic Club** starting at $85 per month
Annual gifts totaling $1,000 or more.
Galactic donors are a large part of IGNITE’s successful fund raising efforts, they help make it possible to provide the IGNITE Program to all school districts, free of charge. IGNITE honors these special individuals with two entries into our annual drawing, special recognition, and a complimentary ticket to a networking event held each year.

Tiered levels allow IGNITE to offer the opportunity for Galactic donors to step up their level of commitment as their own prosperity and success increase

- **Andromeda** $1,000 - $4,999
  *Andromeda is the nearest galaxy to our own at 2.54 Mly (millions of light-years)*

- **Centaurus** $5,000 - $9,999
  *Centaurus is the nearest giant galaxy at 12 Mly (millions of light-years)*

- **Cosmos** $10,000 or more
  *Cosmos Redshift 7 is the brightest distant galaxy and contains some of the first stars*
Other Ways to SUPPORT IGNITE

Donate to IGNITE Worldwide

Donate to IGNITE Worldwide Make a single or reoccurring donation.
Stock Deductions Learn more about gifts in the form of stocks, bonds and mutual funds.

Percent of Sales

Donate a percentage of sales for a product or service provided by your company.

Workplace Giving

Matching Gifts Have your recent volunteer hours and donations matched by your employer.
Payroll Deductions Payroll deductions make supporting gender equity in STEM easy.
Become a Volunteer Volunteer with IGNITE in a variety of capacities, from the Program to campaign events.

Fundraise for IGNITE Worldwide

Consider sponsoring a fundraising, networking, or volunteer event in collaboration with IGNITE Worldwide. This is an excellent way to engage your staff in philanthropic initiatives and/or organized volunteer events.

Legacy Gifts

Memorial or Honorary Gifts Give a memorial or honorary gift for that influential mentor or teacher in your life.
Legacy Gifts Plan your legacy for gender equity in STEM by including IGNITE Worldwide in your estate plans.
Endowment Gifts Learn more about making a donation through a designated fund.

Attend the IGNITE Worldwide Annual Spring Gala

Each Spring IGNITE Worldwide hosts an evening of inspiration, awards, and recognition to the individuals who contribute to making permanent and sustainable changes in STEM education and careers. This event offers a variety of opportunities for you and your staff to engage, including:

• Purchasing a table for your staff and guests,
• Raising the paddle to support opportunities in STEM,
• Bidding on exclusive auction items,
• and more!

“This event inspired me to look into more careers and not limit my options. It also let me know that I can be one of the tools of tomorrow.”

IGNITE 9th Grade Student