



OSWEGO EAST HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear parent or guardian,

We would like to inform you about an exciting opportunity for your son or daughter called Project Lead the Way. This pre-engineering curriculum is now in its second year at Oswego East High School. Because your son or daughter has done very well in a challenging math class at the eighth grade level, he or she is not only eligible to participate in the program but should excel and enjoy the course.

Project Lead the Way is a series of courses that are offered nation wide to promote careers in engineering and connect math and science courses to technology in a more high tech project-oriented environment. This series of classes is designed around the use of a computer to engineer products, solve problems and develop skills in engineering communication.

Many students discover that they have a serious interest in the engineering field where there are large number of employment opportunities. With more than half of the country's engineers and scientists nearing retirement, this will create a need for more than one million engineers and technical workers. There are also a large number of young women enrolling at OEHS and across the country in engineering programs as employers are seeking a diverse workforce. Students who plan to pursue other careers also benefit from these courses and enjoy the challenge that they bring.

Project Lead the Way courses may be completed for dual credit, meaning that your student may earn high school and college credit simultaneously through agreements with universities across the country, including Rochester Institute of Technology and Purdue.

If you are interested in Introduction to Engineering Design, the first course, your son or daughter will be meeting with a counselor soon to sign up for classes. It is recommended that students begin their Freshmen year so they will have an opportunity to take as many Project Lead the Way courses as they wish throughout their high school career.

If you would like more information please contact one of the pre-engineering teachers below. We also encourage you to explore the Project Lead the Way web site at www.pltw.org.

Sincerely,

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