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Educating Emerging Entrepreneurs
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GENERAL TIMELINE

For Completion Of Projects For Education Day Presentation

(A Guide for Teachers, Parents & Students)

6-8 weeks before your local Education Day:

- Begin looking for problems that need solutions.
- Begin entries into your Inventor's Log or Journal.
- Begin brainstorming possible solutions to solve these problems.
- Make sketches of each possible solution for your log or journal.
- Research related patents and inventions used for these problems.
- Research scientific principles needed to create your invention.

5 weeks before Education Day:

- Select the problem with the best potential for creating a solution.
- Study your solutions and choose your best one.
- Choose a name for your invention or product.
- Begin gathering materials you will need.
- Seek help in learning mechanical or other skills needed to complete your project.
- Continue writing everything you do in your log or journal.
- Begin taking pictures of every step of your progress in creating your invention.

4 weeks before:

- Do trial runs with your invention and make improvements.
- Create a questionnaire and conduct a survey of usefulness and/or reasonable cost.
- Begin creating graphs or charts of your survey information to be included on your presentation board.
- Take pictures of your improved invention or product.

3 weeks before:

- Select or purchase your presentation board.
- Begin making the labels needed: Title, Purpose, Problem, Procedure, Illustration, Photos, Graphs, Results and Conclusion.
- Prepare an attractive cover for your Inventor's Log or Journal.
- Write your autobiography to be included if desired.

2 weeks before:

- Proofread all your information; ask an adult to help with this task.
- Ask others for suggestions to make it more attractive or "eye catching" to attract people to your invention or product.
- Begin placing the corrected information on your presentation board.

1 WEEK BEFORE:

- Prepare for your oral presentation of information for your Education Day. Think of all the questions others might ask about your invention or how you made it.
- Give your presentation to others and make improvements. **REMEMBER:** Do not just read the information from your board, but be ready to answer questions or just talk about your invention. Be enthusiastic about all you accomplished.
- Make any improvements needed to your invention or product.
- Gather all your materials and have them ready to bring to your Education Day. **REMEMBER** to bring your presentation board, your prototype, your Inventor's Log or Journal including all your research and even an earlier version of your product or invention.



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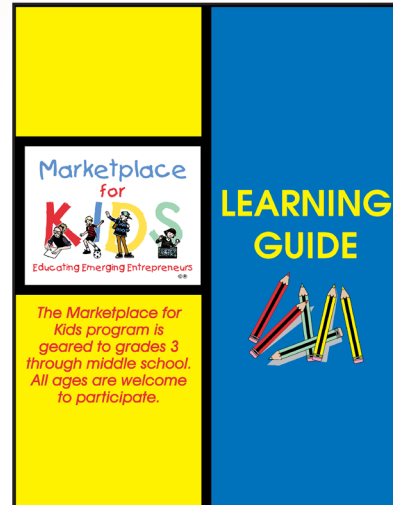
NEED HELP?

Call:
888-384-8410 (Toll Free)

Ask for Linda or Will!

On Education Day:

- Congratulations on completing your project. Come to your Education Day and enjoy the classes you will attend and enjoy presenting your project to all visitors. Dress like an inventor or business person and enjoy sharing your enthusiasm with all.



Helpful Hints:



- Introduce **Marketplace for Kids** to students through use of the video, DVD or invite a classroom visit from **Marketplace for Kids** staff.
- Introduce innovative thinking skills (see Learning Guide).
- Help students develop criteria in order to select the best alternatives/solutions.
- Introduce research skills (see Learning Guide and internet resources).
- Encourage material gathering.
- Order boards if needed.
- Proofread student work and offer suggestions for improvement.
- Provide time for classroom project presentations.
- Have students complete their product/invention evaluation forms and make improvements as indicated.

Remember:

