



OUR ALUMNI NETWORK IS 1.5 MILLION STRONG

“DI is where you learn all the elements that school does not teach you; life skills that will benefit any human being for the rest of their life.”

- Marshall Rainey, DI Alum

“DI taught me how to think creatively. As a scientist, I think differently than other people, and it is certainly an advantage.”

- Lauren Zarzar, Ph.D., Harvard Graduate

“DI allowed me to bring my interests in science and performing together. While I started out as a scriptwriter for my team, my team members got me hooked on robotics and biomedical engineering.”

- Alex Doud,
Biomedical Engineer

“I know I would not be where I am today had it not been for Destination Imagination. Destination Imagination gave me room to learn about myself. To this day, I have found that anytime I create, I discover another part of who I am.”

- Rachel Hale, DI Alum & “American Idol” Star



EDUCATORS USE DI TO PROVIDE A MORE COMPLETE EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE

“The students of today are going to have multiple careers, and so the skill sets they need are much different. It’s not just about memorization and knowledge. It’s about teamwork, learning and DI’s principles: collaboration, critical thinking and problem solving.”

- D.R. Widder – Executive Director of Innovation, Philadelphia University

“DI provides opportunities for our children to think, take risks and work together to solve common problems that will get them to rule the world.”

- Raymond Simon – Deputy Secretary, United States Department of Education

“DI is all about the experience. It’s about teamwork, collaboration and learning how to think creatively and critically. All of those things are where the real learning happens.”

- Gerald Fussell, Principal

“I have seen amazing growth in self-confidence, self-assurance and the ability of students to enjoy their own ability of creating ideas. DI participants know that no challenge is too difficult to solve and are not afraid to try over and over again.”

- Kim Bejot, Educator



**OUR PARTNERS HELP US FOSTER THE
NEXT GENERATION OF INNOVATORS AND LEADERS**

“If each and every student had opportunities such as these made possible through DI, our children would undoubtedly be future-ready!”
- Helen Soule, Partnership for 21st Century Skills

“These students will be the ones that take the rockets NASA is working on now to destinations unknown.”
- Tammy Rowan, NASA

“Organizations like DI are teaching tomorrow’s workforce that careers in engineering and technology are not only fun, but also within their reach.”
- Matt Blakely, Motorola Solutions Foundation

“Kids are our hope for creatively solving all of the problems that our planet faces. Nat Geo wants to excite people to get out and explore and DI wants to excite kids to solve problems. Put those two things together and we have an amazing world.”
- Marina Bellows, National Geographic



OUR GLOBAL NETWORK OF SUPPORTERS IS THE BACKBONE OF DI

“DI is an incredible, selfless program that exists only to provide an unequalled opportunity for children to learn how take on the world, one challenge at a time. Teamwork, problem solving, critical thinking, STEM, creativity...it’s all there.”
- Sandra Whitney, Parent

“DI is the best thing you will ever do for your child’s education, as well as for helping to shape their future as an innovator and leader.”
- Melissa Dick, Parent & Team Manager

“DI is life-changing. With it, our children can accomplish anything. Join the program and prepare to be amazed.”
- Dave Lohrmann, Georgia Affiliate Director, former Team Manager

“Our public school system cannot provide this type of creative problem solving outlet for children and I want to help fill the gap. Seeing the children on my team experience personal growth through the fun process of solving their challenge affirms my belief of how important DI is.”
- Colleen Bohlman, Team Manager