## Programming Challenge for Girls 2013 (PC4G Int'l)

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The <u>LSU Center for Computation & Technology</u> (CCT) and <u>Louisiana Alliance for Simulation-Guided Materials Applications</u> (LA-SiGMA) invites girls 9-10th grade to participate in a one-day educational experience. <u>PC4G</u> wants girls to experience the fun of programming, and engage them before they make their senior high school subject choices. It's designed to be: Approachable, Fun, Educational, and Challenging!

Date: December 7, 2013 (Saturday)

Location: Louisiana State University - Baton Rouge, LA

Digital Media Center, West Lakeshore Drive @ East Parker

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**Registration:** (FREE) Girls may sign up as either a team of two or individually, for which they will be assigned a team member. Grades 9th or 10th only; there is no need for any prior programming knowledge. **CLICK HERE TO REGISTER.** 

**Scope:** Our goal is to engage ninth and tenth grade girls in computer science and introduce them to young women undergraduate and graduate students in <u>STEM</u> disciplines. This event is a fun-filled chance to learn computer programming through storytelling.

The Alice programming language is used because it's:

- 3D and colorful
- Easy to learn. Alice can be learned in 90 minutes, with no prior programming experience.
- Engaging. The Alice environment is fun to work with.
- > There are multiple degrees of challenge. Girls are given a framework to code, and can extend or enhance it to any level.
- Educational.

To see an example of a past challenge, click here.

## Schedule:

- 9:00 AM Registration and Introductions
- 9:20 AM Training
- № 10:30 AM Break
- 10:45 AM Practice
- Noon Lunch (included)
- ≥ 1:00 PM Challenge Begins
- 2:45 PM Pictures @ Mike's Cage then short break
- 3:30 PM Winner's Announced
- 4:00 PM Adjourn

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