

## Our Purpose Statement:

*Project Academy*



<b>Building Community</b>	<b>Learn Teamwork and Important Life Skills</b>	<b>Learn Practical Problem-Solving Skills</b>	<b>Have Fun Through Experiential Learning</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>§ Make new connections with people with whom you would otherwise not likely interact</li> <li>§ Opportunities to create lasting relationships (coaches, mentors, etc.)</li> <li>§ Share a positive experience with others in the community</li> <li>§ Understand the value of, and respect due, every person in society and the contributions each can make</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>§ Explore what is required for an effective team</li> <li>§ Learn how teams collaborate to work together to achieve a goal or outcome</li> <li>§ Foster and practice creative thinking and critical thinking skills</li> <li>§ Time management, scheduling, planning, and accountability</li> <li>§ Listening and communicating effectively</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>§ Learn how engineers approach complex problems</li> <li>§ Practice common steps and useful tools within a problem-solving framework</li> <li>§ Gain exposure to analysis, design, testing, and communicating results</li> <li>§ Knowing when and how to seek out new knowledge and apply it</li> <li>§ Making an effective argument/pitch for action (business plan, grant, proposal, etc.)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>§ Everything is pursued with an underlying intention to make a positive impact in the world around you – perhaps locally first – and with passion</li> <li>§ Teammates have fun along the way by keeping the forum light and supportive</li> <li>§ Learn something new about domains related to the problem of interest being addressed</li> </ul>

