



**CreativeCon** is a one-day field trip for 5th-8th graders. Students learn that the ability to think creatively and

problem solve are skills that can be practiced, strengthened, and applied to STEM, the arts, and across all careers. Students attend three exciting sessions led by professionals in the community who work with students to demonstrate how creative thinking is used in their work.

**November 13 & 14, 2018**  
**Location: Science Museum of MN**



**Future City Competition (FCC)** is an engineering competition for 6th-8th graders. Under the

guidance of an engineer mentor, students design a virtual city, build a scale model, write a research essay, and give an oral presentation. The first place team wins a free trip to Washington, DC to compete in the National FCC.

**January 19, 2019**  
**Location: Dakota County Technical College**



**Creativity Festival** is a one-day field trip for 3rd-5th graders. Students learn that the ability to think creatively and

problem solve is essential for all ages and in all areas of life. Students attend an opening performance plus three breakout sessions taught by STEM and arts professionals. Students learn how to use and strengthen their creativity and problem solving skills.

**January: 8 & 9, 2019**  
**Location: University of MN (Ted Mann Concert Hall)**



**Knowledge Bowl** is an after-school competition focused on academics, teamwork, and

community. Students in 6th-12th grade are challenged to think quickly, communicate effectively, and work together in order to be successful. Meets take place at schools across the metro and around the state.

**Middle Grades Knowledge Bowl Competition Season: Fall/Winter 2018-2019**

**Senior High Knowledge Bowl Competition Season: Winter/Spring 2018-2019**



**Young Authors Conference (YAC)** gives 4th-8th grade students the opportunity to learn from

professional writers. Participants attend a keynote address and three breakout sessions taught by acclaimed MN authors. Students learn the power of the well-written word and the way it can inform, inspire, and transform. Live music, open mic, and a book fair are also part of this one-day field trip.

**March 22, 2019**  
**Location: Bethel University**  
**May 28, 29, 30 & 31, 2019**  
**Location: Bethel University**



**STEMLink** is a one-day field trip that brings STEM careers to life as 5th and 6th grade students work with college

instructors and industry professionals from the fields of science, technology, engineering, and math. Students attend a keynote address and participate in three interactive breakout sessions - all on a college campus and in college labs!

**March 14, 2019**  
**Location: Dunwoody College**

**May 17, 2019**  
**Location: Normandale Community College**

**May 22 & 23, 2019**  
**Location: Century College**