

Dear Parent,

Thank you for registering your child on Curiosity Machine!

By becoming a part of the Curiosity Machine community, your child will learn that science and engineering, like art, is a creative process. It requires practice, feedback, and often guidance. On Curiosity Machine, your child will have the opportunity to receive constructive feedback from scientists and engineers, who will encourage them to be a creative, curious, and persistent innovator. To receive the best feedback, your child will have to submit pictures, video, and/or text to describe their designs and ask for help.

Curiosity Machine mentors have been approved and trained by Iridescent, a 501(c)(3) science education nonprofit, to best support your child's learning and provide support for them to become the next generation of problem solvers, scientists, engineers, inventors, and entrepreneurs.

Protecting the privacy of young children is especially important. We require a parent or guardian to provide consent for a child under the age of 13 to use Curiosity Machine. This is in compliance with the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA). Learn more about COPPA [here](#). To learn more about how Iridescent protects children's personally identifiable information, please read our [Privacy Policy](#).

We hope you have fun learning and inventing together!

Sincerely,

The Curiosity Machine Team

To activate the account of your child under 13 years old, please send us a completed Parent Consent Form:

Via e-mail

Send to curiosity@iridescentlearning.org

You can print the document, sign, scan, and email it to us or complete electronically using Adobe Acrobat Reader.

Via Mail

Iridescent, 532 W. 22nd Street, Los Angeles, CA 90007

Upon receipt of your Parent Consent Form, we will unlock your child's account.

Parent Consent Form



I understand that the information provided to create my child's Curiosity Machine account is correct. My child can post his/her projects, pictures, and videos to Curiosity Machine and interact with others in the Curiosity Machine community. I understand my child may receive promotional updates about upcoming design challenges and site improvements.

Child's Curiosity Machine Username _____

Child's Birth Date _____

Parent/Guardian Full Name _____

Relation to Child _____

Email Address _____

Date _____

Signature _____

Complete if your child is using Curiosity Machine as part of a class:

Teacher Name _____

School/Organization _____

School/Organization City _____

Iridescent Privacy Policy



Iridescent Learning is committed to protecting your privacy online. To further this commitment, we have adopted a Privacy Policy to guide how we collect, store, and use information obtained from customers who visit Curiositymachine.org. Part I of this Privacy Policy specifically pertains to information that may be collected when individuals who are ages 13 and older visit Curiositymachine.org. Part II specifically pertains to information that may be collected when children who are under age 13 visit Curiositymachine.org. The remainder, Parts III through IX, pertain to all Curiositymachine.org users.

I. Information We Collect From Individuals 13 Years Old and Older

A. What Information Does Curiositymachine.org Collect from You?

1. Personally Identifiable Information

To enhance your experience on Curiositymachine.org, we collect personally identifiable information that you provide to us. Although you can visit many pages on our website without providing any personally identifiable information, you must provide certain information to take advantage of particular features, such as sharing your inventions, receiving feedback from our engineers, receiving badges, and participating in project competitions.

Curiositymachine.org collects personally identifiable information that includes, but is not limited to:

- Name
- Address
- E-Mail Address
- Telephone Number
- Date of Birth
- Gender
- Parents' Names and E-Mail Addresses (for minors ages 13 through 17)

We collect this personally identifiable information from you when you register on Curiositymachine.org or request products or services that Curiositymachine.org offers. We also collect this information to provide you with information about science and engineering programs that might interest you. You may be asked to provide personally identifiable information if you participate in any sweepstakes, contests, or surveys, or if you post or access any content on message boards, chat rooms, or blogs at Curiositymachine.org.

2. Non-Personally Identifiable Information

Curiositymachine.org also collects non-personally identifiable information automatically through the use of electronic tools such as "cookies". Cookies help provide a customized web experience by enabling us to identify web users who visit our website. You may choose not to provide such information by adjusting your Internet browser security settings to refuse cookies. Refusing cookies, however, may limit your ability to access certain pages available on Curiositymachine.org and may prevent you from enjoying the features on our website enabled by cookies.

B. What Do We Do with Information We Collect from You?

We may use your contact information, including your e-mail address, to communicate with you regarding products, features, and services available through Curiosity Machine or about products, features, and services that are offered by our affiliates and business partners. We may also use your contact informa-

tion to send e-mail newsletters on other topics we think you might find of interest. Personally identifiable information may also be shared with marketing, advertising, or research companies

Personally identifiable information that Curiositymachine.org collects may also be used for other purposes, including, but not limited to, website administration and troubleshooting. Third-party service providers who provide technical support for the operation of our website and assist us in providing products and services that you have requested may access personally identifiable information for these purposes.

Curiositymachine.org does not allow other parties to independently collect personally identifiable information about users' online activities over time and across different websites.

Curiosity Machine may also share personally identifiable information under the following circumstances: (1) when we believe in good faith that the law requires it (and/or if compelled to do so by law enforcement or government agencies, or by other legal action); (2) when we deem it appropriate or necessary to provide such information to law enforcement authorities; (3) in connection with payments you may owe to us; (4) in the course of a sale to or merger with another business; or (5) in the event of a bankruptcy, in which case the information about the website's subscribers would be among the assets shared with or transferred to another business.

C. How You Can Control the Information We Collect About You ?

You can always choose not to submit your personally identifiable information to Curiosity Machine, but if you do not submit personal information, you may not be able to access many of the features, products, programs, and services that we offer.

If you do not wish to receive e-mail messages from curiositymachine.org about features, products, programs, or services that may be of interest, you can unsubscribe at any time. We will include an opt-out web link or reply e-mail address in each e-mail message. After unsubscribing, you will be removed from our e-mail database. Please allow up to 10 business days to process your request. After unsubscribing, you may still receive e-mail messages about the status of your account, to resolve technical issues, or to confirm a new subscription.

If you wish to make changes to any personally identifiable information you have provided to us, or if you have any questions about what we do with your personally identifiable information, please contact us by sending an e-mail to Curiosity@iridescentlearning.org.

Mail:
Iridescent Learning
532 W. 22nd Street
Los Angeles, CA 90007

Email:
Curiosity@IridescentLearning.org
with subject line: My personally identifiable information

II. Information We Collect From Children Under 13

Curiositymachine.org limits the collection of personally identifiable information from children to only that

which is reasonably necessary to obtain parental consent or to participate in a Curiositymachine.org program or activity after we have obtained parental consent. Curiositymachine.org is prohibited from conditioning a child’s participation in an activity at Curiositymachine.org on the disclosure of more personally identifiable information than is reasonably necessary to participate in such activity. Children under 13 years old are not allowed to subscribe or create an account without a parent or guardian’s consent.

A. Parental Consent

We require a parent or guardian to consent before a child under the age of 13 can use any Curiositymachine.org products or services or participate in any Curiositymachine.org programs or activities.

Parents can provide consent in person, online, or postal mail for their children to provide personally identifiable information to us. The parental consent enables children under 13 to access Curiositymachine.org products or services or participate in Curiositymachine.org programs or activities. The parental consent form may be downloaded from the Curiositymachine.org. Upon receipt of the parental consent form, Curiositymachine.org will send you an e-mail to confirm that your child’s account has been activated.

To provide consent by postal mail, parents should fill out the parental consent form, sign it and send it to Iridescent Learning at:

Mail:
Iridescent Learning
532 W. 22nd Street
Los Angeles, CA 90007

Email:
Curiosity@IridescentLearning.org
with subject line: Parental Consent

If you have any questions about parental consent or any other aspect of our privacy policy, you can call Iridescent Learning at 213-746-4453.

Iridescent Learning is the operator of Curiositymachine.org. The above address, telephone number, and e-mail address comprise the contact information for the operators of this website.

B. What Information Do We Collect from Children Under 13?

1. Personally Identifiable Information

During the registration process, we collect the following personally identifiable information from children:

- Name
- Address
- E-Mail Address
- Telephone Number
- Date of Birth
- Gender
- Parents’ Names and E-Mail Addresses

2. Non-Personally Identifiable Information

Curiositymachine.org also collects non-personally identifiable information automatically through the use of electronic tools such as “cookies”. Cookies help provide a customized web experience by enabling us to identify web users who visit our website. You may choose not to provide such information by adjusting your Internet browser security settings to refuse cookies. Refusing cookies, however, may limit your ability to access certain pages available on Curiositymachine.org and may prevent you from enjoying the features on our website enabled by cookies. We may merge non-personally identifiable information with personally identifiable information that we collect from children under 13. Such merged information is treated as personally identifiable information.

C. What Do We Do with Information We Collect from Children Under 13?

We may use the personally identifiable information that we collect from a child under the age of 13 to determine whether he or she is eligible to use our website, obtain consent from his or her parent, provide an interactive online experience, send newsletters and provide content that we believe that the child may be interested in or would benefit from, and fulfill requests for products or services.

We may disclose personally identifiable and/or non-personally identifiable (i.e., aggregate, anonymous) information obtained from children to affiliates, as well as third party vendors, who may generate content, provide customer service or billing services, process parental consents, and/or monitor our blog. We may also disclose personally identifiable information to licensees of Iridescent Learning programs, which may include schools or corporations that sponsor STEM programs in conjunction with Curiositymachine.org and IridescentLearning.org. Additionally, we may share personally identifiable information obtained from children with third parties for marketing, advertising, or research purposes.

Curiositymachine.org does not allow other parties to independently collect personally identifiable information about users’ online activities over time and across different websites.

Users, including children, will be able post pictures and other personally identifiable information on our website. The website will be monitored by Curiositymachine.org personnel, and any inappropriate content, pictures, or information will be deleted. Any adults who may interact with children through our website are selected by Curiositymachine.org and have agreed not to further disclose personally identifiable information that they receive from a child. Other third parties that have access to personally identifiable information have agreed to maintain the confidentiality, security, and integrity of personally identifiable information. Please note that sharing information is part of the nature of Curiositymachine.org and is integral to the operation of the website. You have a right to prohibit the transfer of your child’s personally identifiable information to third parties. If you choose to exercise this option, however, your child may not be able to enjoy many of the features that are available at Curiositymachine.org.

Curiositymachine.org may also share personally identifiable information under the following circumstances: (1) when we believe in good faith that the law requires it (and/or if compelled to do so by law enforcement or government agencies, or by other legal action); (2) when we deem it appropriate or necessary to provide such information to law enforcement authorities; (3) in connection with payments you may owe to us; (4) in the course of a sale to or merger or substantively similar transaction with another business; or (5) in the event of a bankruptcy, in which case the information about the website’s subscribers would be among the assets shared with or transferred to another business.

D. How Can You Control Information We Collect about Children Under 13?

You can review your child's personal information at any time. You can also have your child's personal information deleted and refuse to permit further collection of such information by us. You may revoke consent to collect your child's personally identifiable information at any time. If you wish to review, modify, or delete any information concerning your child, please e-mail your concerns to Curiosity@IridescentLearning.org. Upon receipt of the e-mail, we will verify the parent or guardian's authorized signature and process your request. Please allow three business days for the request to be processed.

III. Right to Be Forgotten

Pursuant to California Business and Professional Code § 22581, children under 18 may remove or request removal of information that they posted on Curiositymachine.org (in other words, information that they previously made available to users besides themselves). If you are under 18 and you wish to remove or request removal of your posted information, access your profile page and click on Delete to remove each of your challenges' submissions. Please note that following this procedure does not ensure complete or comprehensive removal of the content or information posted on Curiositymachine.org.

IV. Third Party Links

This Privacy Policy applies solely to the collection of personally identifiable information at Curiositymachine.org. To the extent that Curiositymachine.org permits you to link to other content or advertisements that may be housed at other websites, separate privacy policies may apply to those linked websites. Your access to and use of such linked websites through links provided on this website are not governed by this Privacy Policy but, instead, are governed by the privacy policies of those linked websites.

Curiositymachine.org is not responsible for your access to and use of such linked websites, which includes any use of the personally identifiable information that you may provide to, or any personally identifiable information that may be collected about you, at such linked websites.

V. Security

To prevent unauthorized access, maintain data accuracy, and ensure the appropriate use of personally identifiable information, we have put in place physical, electronic, and administrative procedures to protect the personally identifiable information we collect online. No data transmission over the Internet, however, can be guaranteed to be completely secure. While we strive to protect your personally identifiable information, Curiositymachine.org cannot completely ensure or warrant the security of personally identifiable information you provide to us.

VI. “Do Not Track” Signals

“Do Not Track” is a feature of some internet browsers, including Firefox, Internet Explorer, and Safari, that allows users to control the tracking of their browsing activities across websites. Because Curiosity-machine.org does not track users’ browsing activities on other websites, it does not respond to browsers’ “Do Not Track” signals.

VII. Changes to Privacy Policy

Curiositymachine.org reserves the right to change this policy at any time. Please check this page periodically for changes. We will post a notice on this website if and when this policy changes to alert visitors that a new policy is in place. Information collected prior to the time any change is posted will be used according to the privacy policy and applicable laws in place at the time the information was collected. Your continued use of Curiositymachine.org indicates your acceptance of the updated Privacy Policy.

VIII. Your California Privacy Rights

If you reside in California, you may request information about our disclosures of your personally identifiable information to third parties for their direct marketing purposes. Such requests must be submitted to us by e-mail at Curiosity@IridescentLearning.org.

Within thirty days of receiving such a request, we will provide a list of the categories of personally identifiable information disclosed to third-parties for direct marketing purposes during the immediately preceding calendar year, along with the names and addresses of these third parties. This request may be made no more than once per calendar year. We reserve the right not to respond to requests submitted other than as specified in the above paragraph.

IX. Effective Date

This Privacy Policy is effective as of June 30 2014.
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