

**A Short Note on the WickedSTEM Event
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IEEE New Hampshire participated in the WickedSTEM event this September in Milford. Over 1000 persons attended, and a dozen IEEE members helped out with both the IEEE booth and FIRST Robotics demonstrations.

A number of pre-college students were inspired by the robots, especially the "flashlight" building. It was simply two batteries and an LED with some packaging. **Go in the wrong way and the light does not go on.** A great demonstration of electricity, even if the electrons don't go the direction Benjamin Franklin thought they should.

Our next major STEM event will be Young Inventors in April 2025. Watch for your opportunity to lend a hand evaluating K-12 projects for the IEEE NH Sponsored Electronic award and Technology Benefiting Humanity award.