

## What Is Acton PIP?

Acton PIP is a volunteer organization of parents, students, educators and community partners promoting science and math educational activities for families in the Acton-Boxborough community.

- PIP's goal is to provide activities and resources to enrich math and science education
- PIP's method is to offer family-oriented events and activities
- PIP's support comes from all facets of the community--parents, schools, students, community groups and business partners.

## Why Join Acton PIP?

Over 30 years of research suggests, "Parental participation improves a student's learning..."

When families are involved in their children's education in positive ways, children achieve higher grades, better test scores, have better attendance at school, complete homework, demonstrate positive attitudes and behavior, graduate at high rates and go on to school."

...Massachusetts Family Literacy Consortium

## How Do I Get Involved?

- Take part in a PIP STEM Event
- Help Coordinate a PIP Event or Activity
- Be a Representative for Your School (Elementary, Jr. High, or Sr. High)
- Be a Student Volunteer and Get Community Service Credit
- Write a Grant or Help Fundraise
- Host a job shadow or be a career speaker
- Send E-mail to [actonpip@yahoo.com](mailto:actonpip@yahoo.com) to Join the PIP E-loop or Volunteer.

## PIP Sponsors

PIP is grateful for the generous support of...

### Schools and Community Organizations

- Acton Public Schools & PTOs
- Acton-Boxborough Regional Schools & PTOs
- AB School Business Partnership
- Acton Climate Action Team (ACAT)
- Acton PIP Parent and Student Volunteers
- Amateur Telescope Makers of Boston
- Concord Consortium
- Kappel/Herther Annual Skate Fundraiser
- Massachusetts Department of Education
- Massachusetts Technology Collaborative
- Middlesex West Chamber of Commerce School Business Partnership
- The Science Discovery Museum

### Business Partners

- acanthi.com
- Boston Scientific Corporation
- Cisco Systems
- Custom Signs
- Haartz Corporation
- IBM
- Ichabod's Cafe
- O'Natural's Restaurant
- Phillips Medical Systems
- Roche Bros. Supermarket of Acton
- The Paper Store
- Worker's Credit Union (WCU)

## Contact PIP

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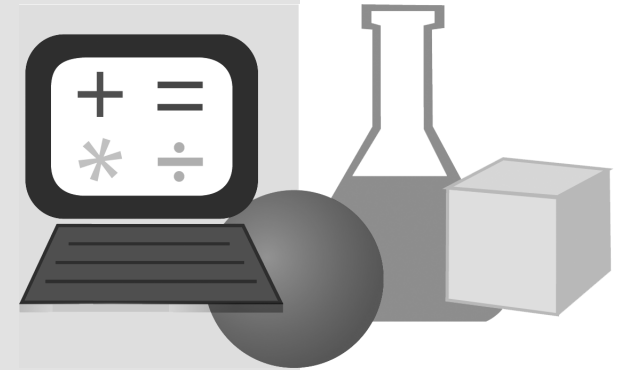
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# Acton **P I P** Parent Involvement Project

Supporting:

Science  
Technology  
Engineering  
Math

Education K-12

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## Come Join Us!

Increasing Community Involvement in  
Science, Technology, Engineering and  
Math (STEM) Education

### PIP Calendar 2007-2008

- **September 27, 2007**     **PIP Monthly Planning Meeting.** Join us. New volunteers are welcome. Last Thursday of the month from 9 to 10am at Ichabod's Cafe.
- **October 6, 2007**         **Solar Panel Sustainable Building Tour.** Learn about solar energy. Families welcome. From 10am to 4pm at Leary Field Concession Stand.
- **October 28, 2007**       **SkidSchool.** Hands-on driving course to learn about safety, accident avoidance and real-world physics.
- **November 5, 2007**      **Sci-Tech Fest 2007.** Talk to scientists and engineers who will demonstrate their inventions. From 6 to 8:30pm for grades 7 to 12 and parents at ABRHS.
- **January 29, 2008**       **PIP Family Domino Math Night.** Play Domino Math Games at this PIP Fundraiser. For all ages from 4:30 to 7:30pm at O'Natural's Restaurant.
- **February 12, 2008**      **5th Grade Market Math.** Learn about thermometry and statistics as part of the 5th grade "super" market math event at Roche Bros.
- **March 3, 2008**           **4th Grade Star Party.** Meet amateur astronomers, get a peek at the night sky and visit Galileo at the Parker-Damon Building. Cloud Dates: Mar. 4, 5, 6.
- **April 2, 2008**           **3rd Grade Market Math.** Scan, weigh, measure, and estimate as part of the 3th grade "super" market math event at Roche Bros.
- **May 3, 2008**            **Earth Day.** Learn about conservation, green living, solar panels, organic gardening and global warming. For all ages.
- **May-June 2008**         **SummerSkills Fundraiser.** Buy Summerskills K-12 math, language arts and language books at a discount. All proceeds support PIP activities.

#### PIP Library Resources

PIP Take Home Math and Science Activity kits with translations and K-12 Great Source math reference books are at Acton Memorial Library.

#### Join Acton PIP Now!

To join the Acton PIP team or to receive information about PIP activities, send E-mail to:  
[actonpip@yahoo.com](mailto:actonpip@yahoo.com).

#### PIP Web Resources

Visit the Acton PIP website for links to science and math games, museums, exhibits and upcoming PIP activities at [www.actonpip.org](http://www.actonpip.org).