



Jumpstart : Pop - Ups, Hack Jams & Maker Parties

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Debrief with your youth to gauge interest in different activities and technologies that can be brought back to your organization.

Try working out what a 5-minute and a 50-minute experience at your table would look like.

Provide flexible activities at your station so kids can choose to just dabble or do a deep dive.

Have the day be a leadership opportunity. Youth can design the station, lead activities, beta-test a project or document the day.

Use the event as an incubator! Experiment and iterate on prototypes of program activities or technologies.



Keep that maker-coder-designer momentum going! Provide a take-home activity sheet or offer a way to save digital projects online.

Invite curious colleagues in your organization to attend.

Not facilitating? Come anyway to learn a new skill or watch a new tool in action.

Spread the word about your upcoming programs! Bring mailing list sign-ups, program flyers, etc. to connect youth to future opportunities.



Visit other stations for inspiration & ideas.

The HRL Jumpstart Series is a collection of research-informed recommendations meant to help network members jumpstart their practice along two goals: Supporting youth interest-driven learning pathways, and furthering innovation in the Hive network. We always welcome feedback, suggestions and questions about our Jumpstarts! hello@hiveresearchlab.org

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