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**SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN MENSA'S REGIONAL GATHERING  
SEMANTICS 39 – UNRAVEL THE MYSTERY**

## **KIDS' TRACK**

**APRIL 20-22, 2018**

**Detroit Metro Airport Marriott Hotel  
30559 Flynn Drive  
Romulus, MI 48174**

**Come one, come all to the Southeast Michigan Mensa Regional Gathering and bring your kids to the kids' track!**



**Register via downloadable form or online on this website!** Please note that non-Mensa members must be sponsored by a member to attend. For non-member family sponsorship, please contact Melissa Jenkins at [giftedcoord@mensadetroit.com](mailto:giftedcoord@mensadetroit.com). Thank you!

## Let's Have Some Fun!

Here's a blow-by-blow of the kids' track at the upcoming SEMM Regional Gathering 2018. We have a mystery theme this year, and this translates to a forensics mystery for the kids on Friday, plus escape room mysteries on Saturday. The kids will get to choose between escaping from a polar research station or the pharaoh's tomb. We will also have a special astronomy viewing night Saturday in the hotel courtyard.



The kids' room will have a maker/hacker theme. That means we will have round-the-clock activities available for kids to build using Legos and lots of other building tools, plus various make-and-take activities. The building contest this year will have a theme of "Build Anything" with any material available.



## Special All-Inclusive Family Pricing for the Weekend

	Thru April 6	April 7 <sup>th</sup> or later
One Parent, One Child	\$150	\$200
Two Parents, Multiple Children	\$300	\$350

## **SEMMantics 2018 Kids' Track Schedule**

**All Weekend Long:** Kids build, hack, make-and-take. "Build Anything" contest judging 11:30 AM Sunday. Prizes awarded at the closing announcements at noon on Sunday.

### **Friday**

**6-7 PM: Dinner**

**7-8:30 PM: Forensics Kidnapping Mystery:** Jason Worth, a wealthy heir, has gone missing. You've been assigned to the forensics team to find the missing person.

**8:30-9:30 PM: Kids' Pool Party:** Let's have some fun in the hotel pool!

**9:30-10 PM: Kids join the chocolate feast.**

### **Saturday**

**9-10:30 AM: Take-It-Apart Party:** Help us take apart common household mechanical objects and electronics to find out how they work! Don't forget to bring your favorite mystery object(s) plus safe tools, if you have them.

**11-12 PM: Beekeepers:** Learn all about bees and the mysteries of social insects!

**12-1 PM: Lunch**

**1-2 PM: Bug Hunting and Observation:** Let's head out to the hotel courtyard and hunt up some bugs to temporarily capture and observe.

**2-3 PM: Magician:** Get ready to learn some great card tricks from a talented young magician.

**3:30-4:40 PM: Freedom Songs Sing-A-Long:** Learn about the civil rights movement and sing to declare, celebrate and cherish our freedoms.

**5-6 PM: Build Your Own Hovercraft:** Build a simple hovercraft and learn the physical principals that make it work. Have fun in our hovercraft races!

**6-7:30 PM: Dinner**

**7:30-9 PM: Escape Room Games:** Choose to escape either a polar research station or a pharaoh's tomb!

**9-10 PM: Telescope Viewing and Aero Copter Flying:** Join us in the hotel courtyard for some telescope viewing. Don't get bored waiting for your turn at the telescope – Fly Aero Copters and watch them glow!

### **Sunday**

**9:30-10 AM: Chromatography Art:** Separate out complex patterns from your favorite marker colors to make beautiful works of art.

**10-11 AM: Jigsaw Puzzle Races:** Can you beat your neighbor's time in assembling an identical jigsaw puzzle? Let's find out!

**11:30 PM: Build Judging:** Be sure to drop off your build masterpiece to the judging area of the kids' room for judging by this time on Sunday.