



## Engineering Fridays: Shaping Elementary - Age Innovators into Tomorrow's Inventors

**Jennifer Emerson**

Jennifer Emerson will be our speaker on December 5, 2014 and will speak on *Engineering Fridays: Shaping Elementary-Age Innovators into Tomorrow's Inventors*. Her presentation is based on Pershing Elementary's success with the implementation of an engineering curriculum that has raised the level of student engagement, improved student performance, and piqued the interest of students in the various fields of engineering.

Pershing Elementary has a student population that is 97% economically disadvantaged. Because of the obstacles the students and teachers face, achieving student success has been an uphill battle. Seven years ago, Pershing Elementary was a school rated Academically Unacceptable, but through the tireless efforts of administrators, teachers, support staff, and students, Pershing Elementary has become a model site for what can happen when STEM curriculum is introduced: high student engagement and overall academic success.

Jennifer is the Instructional Dean at Pershing Elementary in SAISD. She is part of the Eastside Promise Neighborhood Initiative which is a federally funded effort to revitalize the East Side of San Antonio. Part of the initiative is to spark in young students an interest in the high-demand fields of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. Jennifer oversees the implementation of the program and helps to facilitate the coordination of programs between the district and school.

Also, please take this opportunity to pay 2015 annual dues (\$25/\$95 Corporate). Thanks!

**Friday, Dec. 5, 2014**

**Christmas Party – Plenty of Free Appetizers & Refreshments**

**6:00-7:00 PM Networking & Appetizers;**

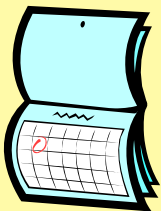
**7:00-8:00 PM Presentation; 8:00-8:30 PM Networking**

**San Antonio Technology Center**

**3463 Magic Drive**

**Note: Catered dinner will not be served this year.**

**Public Invited**



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