Girls Inc. of the Valley works with local schools to recruit Eureka! Scholars in the spring of their 7th grade year. Girls Inc. interviews both girls and their families and selects **30 new Eureka! Scholars** for the incoming Rookie Cohort spots.

**YEAR ONE: GRADE 8  30 Rookies**

**JULY**
Rookies attend STEM workshops, personal development programs and health and wellness activities on UMass Amherst Campus.

**SCHOOL YEAR**
Rookies meet for one required Saturday each month for field trips and workshops focusing on STEM and community service.

**YEAR TWO: GRADE 9  30 Veterans**

**JULY**
Vets attend STEM workshops, personal development programs and health and wellness activities on UMass Amherst Campus.

**SCHOOL YEAR**
Vets meet for one required Saturday each month for field trips and workshops focusing on STEM and community service.

**YEAR THREE: GRADE 10  30 Midways**

**JULY**
Midways learn about and take part in community service, volunteering and activism aimed at improving their local community.

**SCHOOL YEAR**
Required monthly meetings focus on leadership, STEM education, and visits to local colleges.

**YEAR FOUR: GRADE 11  30 Externs**

**JULY**
Externs are placed in their first, paid professional work experience. Externships are hands-on and focus on STEM careers.

**SCHOOL YEAR**
Required monthly meetings focus on the college readiness timeline including scholarships, and college visits.

**YEAR FIVE: GRADE 12  30 Graduates**

**JULY**
Eureka! Graduates take a for credit Bay Path University course entitled Women as Empowered Leaders and Learners.

**SCHOOL YEAR**
Required monthly meetings will focus on the college application process, scholarship applications, careers, and self-reliance.

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