



Kent Place School



MERIDITH RICHTER—DIRECTOR: Meridith is a graduate of CU Boulder's College of Engineering with a B.S. in Technology, Arts, and Media and a minor in Computer Science. She is an avid adventurer in creative technology. With interests in web design, photography, physical computing, and video production, Meridith has a passion for storytelling across a variety of dynamic media. As a returner to iD Tech this summer, she is enthusiastic about familiarizing students with the necessary tools to share their own unique stories with the world.



TANYA CHAHAL—LEAD INSTRUCTOR: Tanya, a rising senior at Rutgers University New Brunswick, has been working with students of all ages for over three years now. She is studying Computer Science and Communications and wants to spread STEM education to as many young people as possible. At her university, she works as an Office Assistant in the Division of Enrollment Management. Her favorite projects and assignments are those that involve data analysis. Tanya enjoys going on service trips through her university and has gone to Washington DC twice. In her free time, she likes to dance and teach at her martial arts dojo.



SOUMYA MISHRA—INSTRUCTOR: Soumya loves working with kids and is currently majoring in Computer Science and Mathematics at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. She is a part of RCOS, Rensselaer Center for Open Source, is an ambassador for Girls Who Code, and is the Director of Finance for hackRPI. Soumya can be found organizing/participating in various STEM events, from 24-hour hackathons to SheSolves, a 4-5 hour competition for middle school girls. In high school she participated in FIRST Tech Challenge and now mentors other teams, in addition to developing and teaching STEM-based curricula for JerseySTEM.



SAM MONGIELLO—INSTRUCTOR: Samantha is a rising senior at Rowan University majoring in Computer Science with a minor in Mathematics and a concentration in Artificial Intelligence. She has summer camp experience as a camper and then a counselor for the past three years. Her love of robots began on a FIRST robotics team in high school. She went on to mentor a rookie robotics team and remains passionate about computer science and robotics, hoping to work on STEM education curriculum and with robots in the future.