

Women's History Month: Smithsonian: If Then She Can

Description of the Activity: The Smithsonian has an exhibit “If Then She Can” for Women’s History Month that features 120 life-size 3D printed statues of contemporary women who are STEM innovators and role models. The statues are located throughout various Smithsonian museums in Washington D.C. You will be given the link to the Smithsonian online exhibit material for review.

In this activity, students will respond to three (3) prompts/questions after reviewing the reference material. The response to each of the three (3) prompts/questions is required to be at least 3-4 sentences in length in order to earn SSL credit.

How SSL Hours Are Earned: Complete the activity according to the below instructions and earn one (1) SSL hour.

Deadline for this activity is: Saturday, April 30, 2022

If you have any questions, please contact Hoover MS PTA at: HooverMSPTA@gmail.com

Please submit ALL the below REQUIRED information and responses to: HooverMSPTAwhm@gmail.com. In the subject line of the email write “WHM: Smithsonian: If Then She Can”

- 1) Student Last Name
- 2) Student First Name
- 3) Grade
- 4) Student’s email address (Do NOT use your MCPS student email address. If you do not have a personal email, provide the email address of your parent/guardian. We need and email address to send your SSL form.)
- 5) View the online “If Then She Can” [Exhibit](#) at the Smithsonian.
- 6) Answer the three (3) prompts/questions:
 - a) Do you think it’s important to highlight the careers of women in STEM (as opposed to just people in STEM)? Why or why not?

- b) Choose one of the women profiled in the exhibit and identify and explain the significance of two (2) characteristics they possess that makes them an innovator and role model.

- c) Reflect on the characteristics you possess or are developing that can make you an innovator or role model. How will these characteristics help you to engage or motivate others to better themselves or to help others?