



The Mindtriggerz Project - "Triggering young minds with technology"

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Identification Information to be completed by Parent or Guardian

Last Name:		First Name:	
Address:	City	State:	Zip Code
How long have you resided at this address:	Daytime Telephone number:	Evening Telephone Number:	
Date of Birth:			

Does your family qualify for the Free or Reduced-Price School Meals Program: Yes No
(Proof may be requested)

Do you currently have a **working** computer(s) in your home: Yes No

Are there other types of technology in the home (ex. Gameboy, Playstation, Xbox, Wii, etc): Yes No

If "yes" please list all types/components:

Household members - please include every person currently living in the home.

	Name	Age	School where currently enrolled	Place of Employment, if applicable
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If additional space is needed, please attach list

Assurance / Certification Statement

In qualifying for reception of equipment via the Mindtriggerz Project, the recipient agrees to the following:

- 1.) Submit completed application as requested
- 2.) To indemnify and hold The Jesse Higginbotham Technology Trust, Inc., its donors and sponsors harmless from any and all liability with respect to any equipment received at any time
- 3.) With regard to donated equipment that is no longer in working order: recipient is responsible for contacting The Jesse Higginbotham Technology Trust, Inc. for repairs to be made and/or equipment to be returned.
- 4.) Equipment remains the sole property of the Jesse Higginbotham Technology Trust, Inc. and is not to be sold, exchanged or modified. Recipient will return equipment that is no longer being used as intended and the Trust has the right to reclaim or recover any components at any time.
- 5.) Recipient agrees to notify the Trust within 30 days of any address change.

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Printed/Typed Name

Date: _____

Reason and Purpose

In June of 2004, Jesse Higginbotham at the age of 14 created an account on the then beta “GMail” (Google mail) choosing the username “mindtriggerz”. In the course of the next three years it became a familiar name on the internet, posted on forums such as mozillazine, archlinux, rubyforge, and slashdot among many others. “Mindtriggerz” was soon synonymous with open source, tech support, contributions of advice and assistance. Opinionated, relentless and appreciated, Jesse’s extensive sharing of knowledge among both his peers and those who had no idea quite how young he really was grew to a level that far exceeded what we suspect was even known to him.

In April of 2007 the local and global community lost a great contributor when Jesse was involved in a fatal automobile accident on his way to school.

Jesse’s parents, with assistance from family members and many friends organized the Jesse Higginbotham Technology Trust, Inc. a Kentucky 501 (c) (3) non-profit, in an effort to continue the work Jesse was so passionate about. The “Mindtriggerz Project” is one of the many endeavors the Trust has undertaken to carry on Jesse’s work.

Jesse firmly believed that technology should be available to everyone regardless of financial means and support. He believed that technology brought the world home, that the benefits are educational, social and personal. To that end, the Mindtriggerz Project’s primary focus is to place computers in the homes of elementary aged youth who could not otherwise afford it, here in his home of Cardinal Valley. Our goal is not only to give used technology a second life, but to provide the necessary training, follow-up, tech support and upgrades to youngsters among us who might well have an as yet undiscovered talent such as Jesse’s. Students from around Fayette County have been and will continue assisting in every aspect of the Mindtriggerz Project: from refurbishing donated computers to training youth and their families, to teaching each other in a manner similar to Jesse’s.

We are grateful to the Lexington community for their continued donations of components, time and expertise and to the many young men and women who have spent countless hours sorting, repairing and cleaning equipment in honor of Jesse and in keeping with his altruistic nature.

To trigger young minds with technology.

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