

# GET CONNECTED

The logo for the Society of Broadcast Engineers (SBE) is a blue circle containing the letters 'SBE' in white. It is positioned between the words 'GET' and 'CONNECTED' in the main title.

## WHAT IS BROADCAST ENGINEERING?

*Ever taken something apart in order to figure out how it works?*

*Do math, computers or electronics interest you?*

*Do you love radio or TV?*

Read on then, because **broadcast engineering** may be right up your alley...

Broadcast engineers design and maintain every aspect of signal flow from the program creation to the broadcast antenna.

They are involved in **creative design work** as well as the implementation and construction of these designs.

Engineers are **thinkers as well as doers**, providing technical judgment and analysis skills that keep broadcast stations on the air under all sorts of conditions.

### **Broadcast engineers are everywhere!**

They work inside and outside, at sporting events and breaking news stories. Engineers don't necessarily work "9 to 5" either.

If you enjoy working in a **fast-paced, high-energy** environment, take a closer look at broadcast engineering.

# Society of Broadcast Engineers YOUTH MEMBERSHIP

## WHAT IS SBE?

The Society of Broadcast Engineers, Inc., formed in 1964, is a non-profit organization **servicing the interests of broadcast engineers**. It is the only Society devoted to the advancement of all levels and types of broadcast engineering and is the only organization that solely represents the interests of broadcast engineers with federal agencies, legislatures and other industry organizations. SBE has **members all over the world**. From the studio operator to the maintenance engineer and the chief engineer to the vice president of engineering, SBE members come from commercial and non-commercial radio and television stations and cable facilities. A growing segment of members are engaging the industry on their own as consultants and contractors. Field and sales engineers and engineers from recording studios, schools, production houses, CCTV, corporate audio-visual departments and other facilities are also members of SBE.

In addition, SBE offers a Certification Program that is **recognized by the broadcast industry** as a leading indicator of experience and ability among broadcast engineers. Broadcast engineering is a rapidly changing field.

**SBE helps its members keep up to speed** through local chapter meetings, industry tours, educational seminars and workshops and exposure to a steady network of specialized professionals.

## HOW CAN SBE HELP YOU FIND YOUR PLACE?

If you are **already active** with your school radio or TV station or an amateur radio club; if you have your own amateur radio station; or if you simply have an **interest in broadcasting technology** such as transmitters or audio and video equipment, youth membership in SBE is for you. Even if you haven't had a chance to put your interests to work at the station level, SBE can help you learn more about the field. Having these interests and being a high school student (grades 9-12) make you eligible for **Youth membership in the Society of Broadcast Engineers**.

## BENEFITS OF YOUTH MEMBERSHIP

**The Connector**, a newsletter designed especially for you, published three times each year. Issues offer articles on technical topics, higher education opportunities, high school stations across the country and a complete listing of SBE certified schools – two and four-year institutions that specialize in broadcast engineering and electronics.

**The Signal**, SBE's bimonthly newsletter that features timely articles on various broadcast-related topics, information on upcoming events, recognition of members' activities and achievements and details of SBE services.

An invitation to participate in a local SBE chapter where you can network with professionals in the field and possibly develop mentor relationships that can **help you prepare for the future**.

Information on **internships and scholarships** available throughout the country.

A copy of the annual SBE Membership Directory & Buyers' Guide – **network across the country**.

Access to the **SBE JobsOnline** where you can learn of positions that are open in the field of broadcasting.  
Official SBE Youth **Member card**.

SBE **member rates** on technical books, educational programs and publications about broadcast engineering.

## JOINING SBE IS EASY

Simply fill out the enclosed Youth Membership Application and return it to the SBE National Office with your dues payment of \$10.

Your membership is good for one year and can be renewed at the Youth Member rate as long as you are a high school student.

However, membership with SBE doesn't end when you graduate from high school.

If you continue your education, you can qualify for Student Membership. After this, or if you enter the broadcast engineering field following high school, you can maintain your membership in SBE as a regular or associate member.

**LET SBE HELP YOU THROUGHOUT YOUR CAREER!**