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TLC and Turing Tumble Announce Strategic Partnership

February 7, 2018 -- Inwood, W.Va. - The Library Corporation (TLC) and Turing Tumble have agreed to a partnership bringing the marble-powered computer - The Turing Tumble - into the library and school market. The Turing Tumble is the latest addition to TLC's lineup of innovative and engaging STEM tools for their SmartTECH product line.

TLC's STEM Specialist, Rhia Stark, has been working closely with the Turing Tumble's founders, Alyssa and Paul Boswell, "It has been such a pleasure collaborating with Alyssa and Paul on incorporating the Turing Tumble into the TLC•SmartTECH product line. They've created a unique and high-quality product that encourages puzzle-based problem-solving skills and tactile learning of computer science concepts. I'm excited to be able to share the Turing Tumble with TLC libraries and schools."

The Turing Tumble provides a way to peek under the hood of computers: the logic isn't hidden inside a computer chip, it's right there in front of you – no electronics at all. By placing simple plastic parts onto a mechanical computer board students build their own marble-powered computers. This high-tech hands-on, STEM-based learning tool builds logic, critical thinking skills, and fundamental coding concepts.

"We were thrilled to partner with TLC as they share our vision for getting Turing Tumble into libraries and schools," said Paul and Alyssa Boswell. "We have enjoyed working with them because they understand the engaging nature of this hands-on learning tool and the depth of what it can teach. With computers integrated in our daily lives, we could all benefit from taking a step back from using them and learn how they work."

The Library Corporation will be showcasing the Turing Tumble at the ALA Midwinter Conference in Denver at booth #738 - presentation schedule is available [here](#). For anyone not attending the conference, a previously recorded [webcast](#) is available and gives a great overview of the Turing Tumble. The Turing Tumble is in production and will be available for purchase in May 2018 from the [TLC•SmartTECH.shop](#) website. For more information, please contact Mike Willis, TLC Business Development Manager at 800-325-7759 or mwillis@tlcdelivers.com.

About The Library Corporation:

TLC has operated continuously under the same ownership since 1974 and employs over 200 people dedicated to delivering enterprise hardware and software solutions to public, school, academic, and special libraries worldwide. [TLC's SmartTECH](#) offers products for your Makerspace or STEAM programs with a collection of premium brands that provide your library with a single source to meet all your technology needs. TLC's cumulative products are deployed in more than 1,100 organizations, representing over 5,500 locations in North America. TLC is certified by the U.S. General Services Administration, Women's Business Enterprise National Council, and the Women Owned Small Business Federal Contracting Program. TLC's Headquarters is based in Inwood, W.Va., and has additional offices in Denver, Minnesota, Singapore, and Ontario, Canada. To learn more, visit [TLCdelivers.com](http://www.TLCdelivers.com).

About Turing Tumble

Paul Boswell (at the time a professor at the University of Minnesota) and Alyssa Boswell (a former high school teacher) started creating Turing Tumble on nights and weekends back in 2015. Two years later, in June of 2017, they launched what they thought was a [long-shot Kickstarter campaign](#) to raise \$48k. They were absolutely *floored* when they raised \$404k. Paul and Alyssa now both work on Turing Tumble full time. They expect to ship their first run of the game in May of 2018. Learn more at <http://turingtumble.com/dev/presskit/>.



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