



National Lieutenant Governors Association

The National Lieutenant Governors Association Commits to STEM Education

The Members of the National Lieutenant Governors Association (NLGA), as signed below, commit to the collaborative, bipartisan support of Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM) Education nationwide:

- NLGA Members recognize the vital need for increased education for students in the areas of STEM, which can encourage critical thinking, team-building, project management, and problem-solving skills in youth that will serve them for a lifetime.
- The U.S. workforce demands workers who are prepared for the jobs of the future, and jobs in STEM are projected to grow more than two times faster than the total for all other occupations this decade (*U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics*). Occupations in related fields such as healthcare are also projected for growth, and many other career paths require strong STEM backgrounds for success.
- The COVID-19 pandemic has accelerated the U.S. and global economy's growth in digitization and technology, and highlighted the need for education and training opportunities that encourage the development of a diversified workforce.

As the bipartisan, professional organization of the nation's lieutenant governors and seconds-in-command, NLGA is committed to opportunities for collaboration among the 50 states and five U.S. territories on STEM education through innovative programming and projects, including but not limited to:

- The *NLGA Lt. Governors' STEM Scholarship Program*, to provide 12 scholarships to 12 schools for 12 STEM-related projects in the classroom each year.
- The *NLGA STEM Service Project* to support the local communities hosting NLGA meetings with STEM-related gifts to youth.

Projects will be executed upon sponsorship and funding.

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