



National Lieutenant Governors Association

Schools Nationwide Invited to Apply for 2026 Lt. Governors' STEM Education Scholarship Program

Lt. Governors encourage pre-K - 12th grade public, private and tribal schools to apply for up to \$1,000 to support STEM-related activities for students by the March 6, 2026, deadline.

Covington, KY – The National Lieutenant Governors Association (NLGA) has opened the application period for the fifth annual Lt. Governors' STEM Scholarship Program, sponsored by ACT, to award up to \$1,000 to 12 schools nationally to support STEM-related activities for youth. Applications will be accepted until March 6, 2026, with award recipients announced and funded in Spring 2026.

NLGA will award twelve scholarships to twelve schools in twelve different states and territories. The Scholarship Program is administered by NLGA, the nonpartisan, nonprofit association for the nation's seconds-in-command, and sponsored by ACT, whose mission is to help people be successful in their education and careers.

"ACT is proud to once again sponsor this program," ACT CEO Steve Tapp said. "A strong STEM education is essential to helping students build the knowledge and skills they need for what comes next, whether that's college, career, or both. We are committed to our work with NLGA to expand access to high-quality STEM learning opportunities so more students can graduate prepared to succeed in a rapidly evolving workforce."

All public, private, and tribal schools in the 50 states and five U.S. territories are invited to apply at nlga.awardsplatform.com. Funding will be awarded to schools to support STEM-related activities, programming, curriculum, equipment, and other expenses.

"The need for increased educational opportunities in STEM is non-partisan and an area of consensus for the nation's lieutenant governors," said NLGA Executive Director Kellie Rittershausen. "NLGA has adopted STEM Education as a pillar of work for the association on behalf of Members, who know the importance of educating students in STEM to prepare for the jobs of tomorrow."

Applications will be reviewed in Spring 2026 with award winners announced at the NLGA Spring Business Meeting in April 2026. Additional information on the STEM Scholarship Program, including instructions for applying, can be found at <https://nlga.us/stem-scholarship-program/>.

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The National Lieutenant Governors Association (NLGA) is the professional association for the lieutenant governors and seconds-in-command in state and territorial government. Learn more at www.NLGA.us.