



National Lieutenant Governors Association

Nation's Lieutenant Governors Open Application Period for First Annual STEM Education Scholarship Program

All K-12 public, private, and tribal schools are encouraged to apply for up to \$1,000 to support STEM-related activities for students by the May 31, 2022, deadline

COVINGTON, KY (April 28, 2022) – The National Lieutenant Governors Association (NLGA) has opened the application period for the first annual Lt. Governors' STEM Scholarship Program, sponsored by ACT, to award up to \$1,000 to 12 K-12 schools nationally to support STEM-related activities for youth. Applications will be accepted until May 31, 2022, with award recipients announced and funded in Summer 2022.

“As the seconds-in-command in state and territorial government, lieutenant governors are uniquely poised to lead on STEM Education,” said NLGA Executive Director Julia Brossart. “By supporting STEM-related activities in schools across the country, we can encourage a long-term interest and passion in STEM Education in America’s youth, while building the workforce of the future.”

NLGA will award three scholarships to states and territories in each of the four NLGA regions in 2022, for a total of 12 scholarships worth \$10,000 total. The Scholarship Program is administered by NLGA, the nonpartisan, nonprofit association for the nation’s seconds-in-command, and sponsored by ACT, the education and career readiness nonprofit.

“As the only major college admissions test provider to include a science assessment, ACT believes that a high-quality STEM education is important to enable all learners, including and especially young people from underserved populations, to graduate high school ready to succeed in a STEM career,” ACT Chief Executive Officer Janet Godwin said. “We are proud to sponsor this program and equip all students for the economy of today and tomorrow.”

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 bipartisan and an area of consensus for the nation’s lieutenant governors,” said NLGA Associate Director Kellie Rittershausen. “NLGA has adopted STEM Education as a pillar of work for the association on behalf of Members, who see the importance of educating students in STEM to prepare for the jobs of tomorrow.”

Applications will be reviewed in June 2022, with award winners announced at the NLGA Annual Meeting, July 20-22, 2022. Additional information on the STEM Scholarship Program, including instructions for applying, can be found at <https://nlga.us/strategies/nlga-state-strategies-in-stem/>.

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