Deadline for Math Scale-Up Application: Tuesday, October 1

The STEM Council recognizes the centrality of mathematics to success in STEM study leading to careers in high-demand STEM fields. The STEM Council has received a $300,000 pool of funds from the Iowa legislature to especially scale mathematics education programs to preK-12 students. Thanks to the additional investment, three exemplary mathematics programs are available to be implemented throughout Iowa during the 2019-2020 academic year:

• Differentiated Math Centers by hand2mind (grades K-5)
• Desmos Middle School Math by Desmos (grade 8)
• Bootstrap Data Science by Bootstrap (grades 8-12)

The application can be found at . Award winners will be notified on October 31, 2019. Professional development and materials distribution will begin in late 2019 and implementation of the programs will occur through spring and summer 2020.

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Upcoming STEM Festivals

NIACC Family STEM Festival, Mason City, October 12, 1-4 pm
• Register to Attend
• Register to Exhibit
• Sign up to Volunteer

Iowa Central STEAMfest, Fort Dodge, October 19, 1-4 pm
• Register to Attend
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Register for Professional Development in STEM Principals

The Central Rivers AEA is partnering with the NC and NE STEM Regions in offering the course: Meeting the Needs of all Students through STEM Principals (Course #180263). Educators can still sign up for the Marshalltown and Cedar Falls dates:

Marshalltown Office: Oct. 29 and
The North Central STEM Advisory Board received a tour of REG’s biodiesel facility in Mason City. Led by Tyler Kerr, a Plant Manager at the facility, the Board learned about how biodiesel is made and the growing market for renewable fuels. REG has been active in STEM Council programs. They have hosted STEM Externships and volunteered at the North Central region STEM festivals.

Advisory Board Tours REG
Mason City, LLC

Want to get involved in STEM in Iowa? Register a booth at a STEM Festival

Join us in sharing the excitement of STEM with students and families across Iowa. Register your booth here or reach out to the STEM Hub for ideas: ncstem@iastate.edu.

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