

# COHEA's Path to Certification

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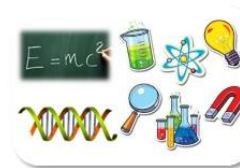
# What is STEM? (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math)

- ▶ STEM is an approach to teaching that's larger than its constituent parts
- ▶ STEM removes the traditional barriers erected between the four disciplines, by integrating the four subjects into one cohesive curriculum



# Why STEM?

- ▶ STEM prepares students for life, regardless of the profession they choose to follow
- ▶ STEM Teaches students how to think critically and how to solve problems – skills that can be used throughout life.
- ▶ STEM Focuses on:
  - ▶ Critical thinking
  - ▶ Problem solving ability development
  - ▶ Leadership/teamwork development
  - ▶ Ethics and responsibility
  - ▶ Invention, imagination, and ingenuity
  - ▶ Communication skill development



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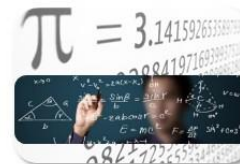
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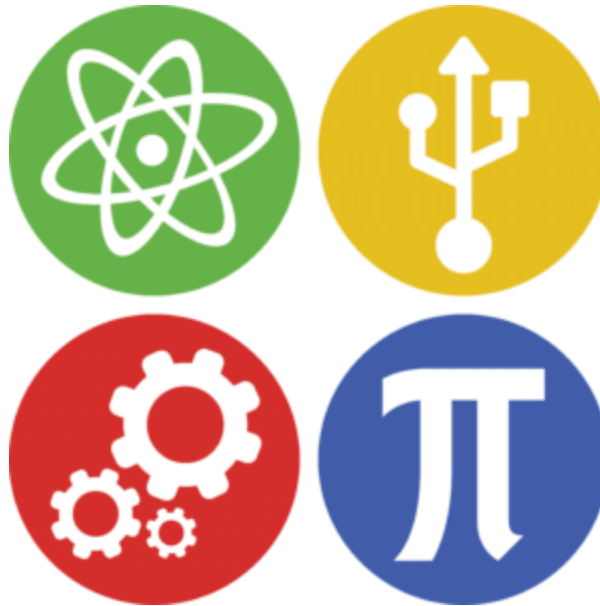


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# Why STEM?

- ▶ ***According to the U.S. Department of Education, STEM jobs are projected to grow 13%.***
  - ▶ Between 2017 and 2027, the number of STEM jobs will grow 13 percent, compared to 9 percent for non-STEM jobs—with positions in computing, engineering, and advanced manufacturing leading the way.
  - ▶ Since 1990, employment in STEM occupations has grown 79%—increasing from 9.7 million to 17.3 million.



# Applied Across Core Content Areas

## **Math**

An emphasis on problem solving and critical thinking as related to real world situations

## **Science**

Provide opportunities for discovery and inquiry through experimentation and projects

## **Social Studies / History**

Study historical research, documents, and artifacts to learn about cultures of the past

## **English**

Connect reading and writing to authentic real world applications through essays, collaborative discussions, and a variety of literary genres.

# Teaching STEM

- ▶ Pose problems and combine problem solving with project-based learning across disciplines.
- ▶ Developing students' critical thinking, communication, assessment, and inquiry skills.

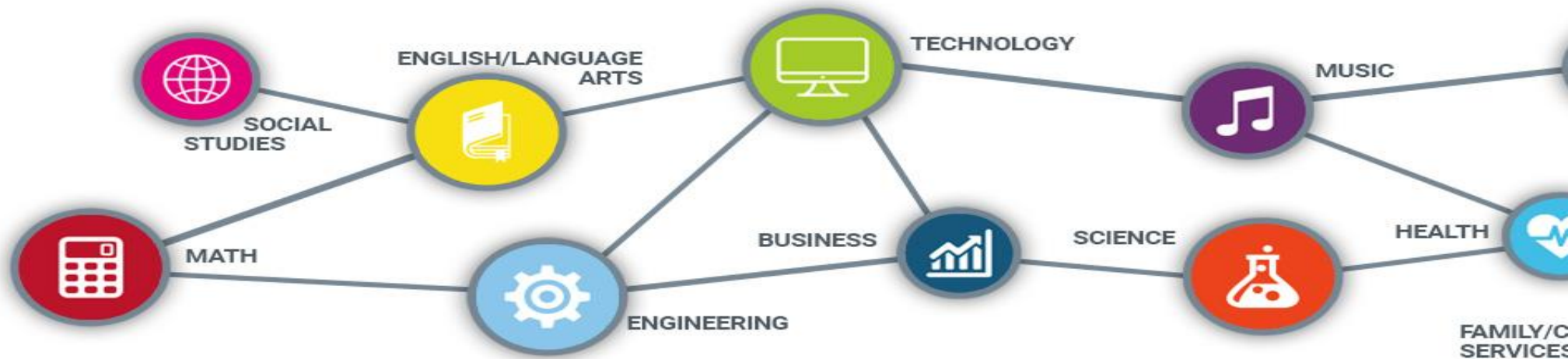
# Using Real World Problems (Authentic Learning)

- ▶ Real-world problem-solving is the essence of STEM lessons. (Example: ESOL students learning new vocabulary and applying it to everyday life.)
- ▶ Solving real-world problems causes students to use/expand higher-order thinking skills.
- ▶ Identifying creative, real-world problems for students is the essence of STEM teaching. Example: Ask students how a problem can relate to a specific career.



# What Do Students Gain?

- ▶ **Creativity** – Thinking on their feet, ‘outside the box.’ (**Habit 6: Synergize – Explore Third Alternative**)
- ▶ **Confidence** – Building confidence needed to thrive in a competitive workplace. (**Finding your Voice**)
- ▶ **Problem Solving** – Without realizing it, students are consistently challenged to solve problems. This develops skills in reasoning and understanding. (**Habit 2: Begin with the End in Mind**)
- ▶ **Focus** – Balancing listening/contributing involves a great deal of concentration/focus. (**Habit 5: Seek First to Understand, then to be Understood**)
- ▶ **Communication** – Defending ideas/theories is a core skill and one that is required throughout life. (**Habit 6: Synergize**)





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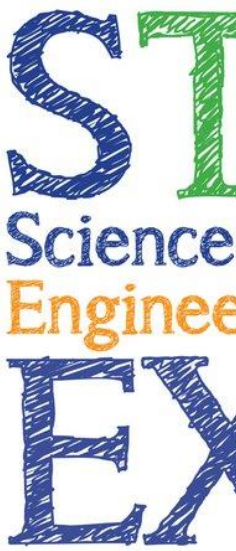
- ▶ **Receiving Constructive Feedback** – Feedback is part of learning/part of life. (Habit 5: Seek First to Understand, then to be Understood)
- ▶ **Collaboration** – Students work together, share responsibility, and compromise with others to accomplish a common goal.
- ▶ **Dedication** – Students practice developing healthy work habits (on-time, prepared, respecting the contributions of others).
- ▶ **Accountability** – Understanding that their actions affect other people.



# STEM Team Membership Eligibility

- ▶ To be considered for STEM membership, a student must meet ALL the requirements:
- ▶ • Student must be working at grade level or receiving grades of C or better in all classes, as determined by school records.
- ▶ • Student must be able to participate in and contribute to cooperative learning and academic enrichment activities.
- ▶ • Student must show an interest in technology, math and science, as evidenced by class participation or extra-curricular involvement.
- ▶ • Student must exhibit good behavior and good school citizenship, as determined by school records and recommendations from school staff.

# COHEA STEM Nights



- ▶ COHEA STEM Nights bring together students, their families, and community members in an expo-style event by club members.
- ▶ Students and STEM club leaders demonstrate interactive STEM activities and projects.
- ▶ Ideally, community partners are invited and organize hands-on STEM activities and informational displays relating to college readiness. For parents and guardians, it's a time to learn about the club their child has joined, and for the students, it's a time to exhibit leadership in the program.

# Teacher Expectations

- ▶ STEM Bulletin Board to show off student work relating to STEM
- ▶ STEM Design Process laminated board
- ▶ STEM Lesson Plan





### COHEA Weekly Lesson Plan

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Course: \_\_\_\_\_ Period: \_\_\_\_\_

**Standard(s):**

**Student Objective(s):**

**Essential Question(s):**

**ESOL Accommodations:**

- ☐ Audiovisual
- ☐ Individual Help
- ☐ Summarizing
- ☐ Choral Reading
- ☐ Manipulatives
- ☐ Making Notes
- ☐ Demonstration
- ☐ Modeling
- ☐ Think/Pair/Share
- ☐ Extended Time
- ☐ Oral Testing
- ☐ Underlining/ Highlighting
- ☐ Graphic Organizer
- ☐ Verbal Response
- ☐ Repetition
- ☐ Write Key Words
- ☐ Illustrations & Diagrams
- ☐ Rephrasing & Simplifying
- ☐ Other

**IEP/504 Accommodations:**

- ☐ Flexible Presentation
- ☐ Flexible Recording
- ☐ Flexible Response
- ☐ Flexible Scheduling
- ☐ Flexible Setting
- ☐ Other

**Students:**

<p><b>S.T.E.M. Instructional Component Type:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Problem Solving Task</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Model Eliciting Activity</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Engineering</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Real-World Situation</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Materials Needed:</u></b></p>	<p><b>S.T.E.M. Activities Categories:</b></p> <p><b><u>Teacher Led Activities:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Direct Lecture and Notes</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Guided Discussions</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Guided Technology/Support</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Student Engaged Activities</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Problem solving task</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Projects</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Real world solution concept maps, clusters, posters, PPT, etc</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Student Group Led Activities</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Creating/Building Models</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Researching/Problem Solving</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Collaborative Presentation</li> </ul>	<p><b>STEM Process:</b></p> <p><b>Goal:</b></p> <p><b>Ask:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> What is the problem?</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> What are possible solutions?</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> What have others done?</li> </ul> <p><b>Imagine:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> What are the possibilities?</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> What else can be done?</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> What is the best solution?</li> </ul> <p><b>Plan:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Is the plan possible?</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Where should I start?</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> What materials are needed?</li> </ul> <p><b>Create:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Can a model be made?</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Have I followed the plan?</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Does it meet the goal?</li> </ul> <p><b>Improve:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Does it work?</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> What will make it better?</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> What can be done?</li> </ul> <p><b>Communicate:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Are changes needed?</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> What do others think?</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Is the problem solved?</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>Teacher Notes:</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>Vocabulary:</u></b></p>	

### Day 1

#### **Agenda**

1. Bellringer:
2. Lesson Activities:
3. Closing/Exit Slip:

#### **Assessment**

#### **Home Learning:**

### Day 2

#### **Agenda**

1. Bellringer:
2. Lesson Activities:
3. Closing/Exit Slip:

#### **Assessment**

#### **Home Learning:**

### Day 3

#### **Agenda**

1. Bellringer:
2. Lesson Activities:
3. Closing/Exit Slip:

#### **Assessment**

#### **Home Learning:**

# Create a lesson plan based on one of the 7 Habits

**Habit 1: Be Proactive**

**Habit 2: Begin with the end in mind**

**Habit 3: Put First Things First**

**Habit 4: Think Win/Win**

**Habit 5: Seek first to understand  
then to be understood**

**Habit 6: Synergy**

**Habit 7: Sharpen the saw**

