

# **GOVERNOR'S STEM ADVISORY COUNCIL**

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# **Northeast Iowa STEM Advisory Board Meeting**

Thursday, December 19, 2024 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM

## LOCATION: Virtual

#### **AGENDA**

- A. Welcome
- B. FY25 YTD Financial Statement as of November 30
- C. STEM BEST
  - a. Enhancement awards
  - b. Applications
- D. IOWA STEM Teacher Award
- E. STEM Festivals
  - a. Report on Cedar Valley STEM Festival
  - b. Plans for STEM Festival in Waukon
- F. Future Meeting Dates/Locations
- G. Scale-Up Programs
  - a. FY26 Programs
  - b. Marketing
- H. Iowa STEM Council updates
- I. Announcements

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## **Upcoming Events:**

• January 7 Scale-Up application opens

• February 12 STEM Day at the Capitol

• March 3 Deadline for Scale-Up application

• April 4 Scale-Up awards announced

April 10 Northeast Iowa Family STEM Festival - Waukon

#### **STEM Review Committees:**

## **Scale-Up Program Selection**

Review period: September – October

Time commitment: approximately 15-20 hours

Review STEM program applications from companies who present a PK-12 program for the Iowa STEM Scale-Up 2025-26 program menu.

Current committee members (4): Doreen Hayek, Allison Plunkett, Heather Fransen, and Barb Ehlers

#### **IOWA STEM Teacher Award Selection**

Review period: November-December

Time commitment: approximately 3-12 hours

Evaluate nominations/applications to select the IOWA STEM Teacher awardees. Six educators selected (one per region).

Current committee members (3): Lisa Chizek, Larry Escalada, and Jeff Jacobs

#### **STEM BEST Selection**

Review period: December – January

Time commitment: approximately 3-12 hours.

Evaluate applications for Iowa STEM Business Engaging Students and Teachers (BEST) proposals from across the state. Proposals provide you a chance to work with business partners on real-world projects.

Current committee members (3): Bev Berns, Doreen Hayek, Marcy Seavey and Allison Plunkett

### **Scale-Up Awardee Selection**

Review period: March

Time commitment: approximately 2-4 hours

Evaluate applications submitted by educators throughout region requesting Scale-Up programs on the 2025-26 menu.

Current committee members (15): All board members

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