



## WHO WE ARE | WHAT WE DO | WHY WE DO IT

### How did we get here?



Pressing need for a STEM-trained workforce

STEM AC created

Network connected & work starts



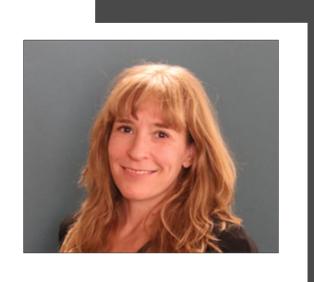
**Momentum Builds** 

Growth and expansion **EcosySTEM created** 



**Doubling Efforts** 

Independent EcosySTEM
Refocused STEM AC



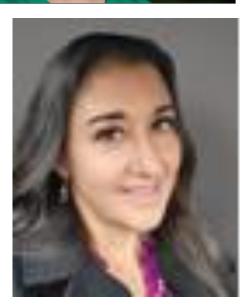




STEM AC Team (And more to come!)









Ask me how to get involved!

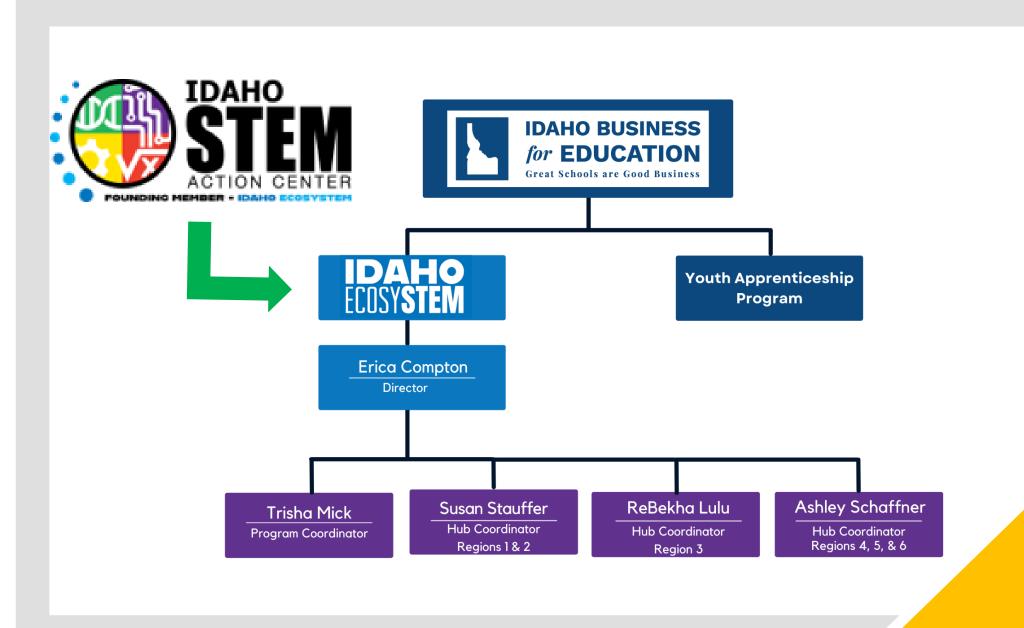
# We have a NEW HOME!



IDAHO BUSINESS for EDUCATION

Great Schools are Good Business















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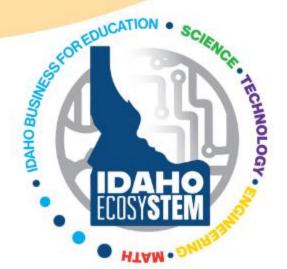
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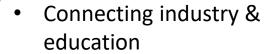




#### **Focus**



- Coordination we organize and assist
  - Stem Education Strategic Plan
  - Facilitating connections
- Professional Development best practices
- Resources that serve the state Learning Blade, Idaho Connect
- Work-based Learning
- Pilot programs seeking / testing innovative & promising practices in STEM
- EcosySTEM sponsorship



- Identifying challenges & solutions
- Workforce development efforts
- Sharing best practices



- Provide regional "boots on the ground"
- Engage partners statewide & regionally
- Support student programs & competitions
- Deliver select educator PD
- Fund programs & opportunities
- Empower regional leaders
- Collaborate nationally with ecosystems







#### **Idaho Connect**







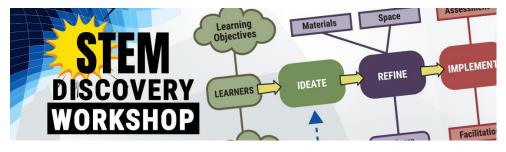














# What does this look like for you?



#### The STEM AC can help with:

- Being a connection point for statewide efforts, strategies, resources, obstacles/opportunities, and ideas (with a special focus on computer science)
- Forging closer relationships between education and Idaho employers
- Facilitation of statewide strategic planning efforts
- High quality stem-related professional development
- Consolidated resources and identifying best practices
- Development & testing for pilot programs
- Receive donations to that will serve statewide STEMrelated initiatives

#### What is changing?

- Discontinued direct P3/Sponsorship awards
- Stepping away from "boots-on-the-ground" efforts

#### Regional Hub Coordinators are available to:

- Visit educators and other EcosySTEM partners to share ideas and connect to resources
- Support regional STEM programs and events through funding and regional resources such as volunteers, materials and networking
- Provide opportunities for partners to collaborate on events and programs
- Meet with industry partners to share ideas for engaging with educators
- Facilitate regional student programs & competitions

The EcosySTEM will provide Grants and Sponsorships

- Regional Hub funds
- Statewide grants/sponsorships
- Competition travel support

### HOW CAN YOU PROVIDE SUPPORT?

#### EcosySTEM:

- Keep an eye out for information on our new community platform- sign up and share with colleagues so we can build a strong network of collaborators
- Engage with hub leadership teams, events, and activities
- Share information on events, programs, and opportunities in your region
- Invite us to the table whenever STEM is involved we want to help!

#### STEM AC:

- Bring your STEM-related opportunities/obstacles to our table
- Invite us to your venues, tables, and meetings
- Participate in the upcoming STEM Strategic Education Plan survey
- Assist us with connections for parties interested in funding STEM in Idaho
- CS Ed Week & Hour of Code (Dec)

# Upcoming events

#### **EcosySTEM:**

- Passport to STEM at the Latah County Fair, Sept. 14-17 in Moscow
- Grant & Sponsorship Opportunities Opening Fall 2023
- STEM EXPO –ION Power Up Summit, Sept 20-21
- Eastern Id Regional 2023 Workforce Connector Summit, Sept 22
- Waypoint Conference, October 1-3
- Idaho Library Association Conference, October 4-6
- Hispanic Youth Leadership Summit, Sept 26, Oct 4 and 10

#### **STEM AC:**

- i-STEM Strand Providers: Nov-Dec 2023
- i-STEM Participant App: Feb 2024
- Externship App: Jan 2024

#### All:

Hour of Code & CS Ed Week (Dec 4-10, 2023)



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#### **NOW IT'S YOUR TURN!**



- WANT SOMETHING CLARIFIED?
- WOULD LIKE TO KNOW?
- DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS FOR A TEAM MEMBER?



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