





## Application for SummerSTEM for K-12 Educators: July 15-19, 2024

Thank you for your interest in **SummerSTEM**, a unique career immersion experience for educators across **ALL disciplines and roles**, aligning with the WCPSS goal of ensuring students are **COLLEGE and CAREER READY**.

This public-private partnership between Wake County Public School System (WCPSS) and Wake Education Partnership (WakeEd) provides WCPSS educators with immersions in RTP businesses and organizations in the RTP area and Wake Technical Community College. We are excited about the experience that the educators and schools who participate will have.

SummerSTEM schools and educator teams receive the following benefits for their participation:

- Immersion in one of the following potential industry areas\*:
  - o Architecture & Construction
  - o Agriculture and Natural Resources
  - o Information Technology (IT)
  - o Design Thinking
  - o Engineering & Advanced Manufacturing
- \$650 stipend\*\* for completing all required components of the summer professional development experience.
- Costs of substitutes for **3 days of professional development** during the 2024-2025 school year for each educator
- Compensation in the amount of \$350 for the successful submission of a project-based learning unit.

Interested two-member teacher teams submit a **Team Application** that has **Two Parts**:

- 1. Online application link: <u>SummerSTEM Teacher Application</u> This includes a cover page, Team Member 1 Application, Team Member 2 Application, Combined Team Members Application, endorsement and commitment statement. <u>Teacher teams are to complete and submit this application first. We will then seek the principal endorsement found in Step #2.</u>
- 2. **Online principal link:** <u>SummerSTEM Principal Endorsement</u>. This demonstrates the principal's commitment to support the SummerSTEM team and to meet obligations for collaboration among the team members during the 2024-2025 school year.

The teacher application and principal endorsement are due by Tuesday, April 30, 2024.

## **Selecting Your Team: The Centerpiece to Success in SummerSTEM**

The educators forming your two-member SummerSTEM team should possess the following characteristics:

- Regular use of diverse resources for curriculum delivery;
- Desire to integrate real-world scenarios and applications into their curriculum;
- Confidence in data collection and analysis for demonstrating student achievement;
- Behaviors and practices reflecting a commitment to instructional innovation and creativity;
- Demonstrated ability to collaborate within and across disciplines;
- Interest in continual professional growth and leadership;
- Availability for frequent collaboration during the 2024-25 school year.

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<sup>\*</sup>Industry clusters are still being finalized, and there may be slight tweaks to the clusters noted.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Per WCPSS policy, July 15-19 has to be outside of your contractual obligation to be eligible for the stipend.