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Robotics and Internship Opportunities

The Minnesota STEM Ecosystem is excited to announce our partnership with High Tech Kids to support their expansion of high school FIRST Tech Challenge teams across the state and facilitate STEM career exploration and STEM internships with our learning partners in several regions.

The grant supporting this program is through the Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) and earmarked to support high school robotics teams, STEM career exploration and STEM internships.

As the primary grant recipient, High Tech Kids collaborated with the following for the STEM career pathway and STEM internship portions of the grant: Minnesota STEM Ecosystem Minnesota Center of Excellence for Engineering Southeast Service Cooperative Lakes Country Service Cooperative Minnesota Center of Excellence for Advanced Manufacturing The Plum Catalyst & MIGZI

High Tech Kids and our partners have been awarded up to \$730,000. High Tech Kids will receive up to \$122,400 to support the expansion of high school robotics teams; the remaining funding will support STEM career exploration and STEM internships.

We are confident that High Tech Kids, along with our partners, will positively impact the lives of many high school students and equip them with the skills needed to thrive in the STEM workforce.

