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2024 MN STEM Convening

On October 14, 2024 at Dean Lakes Education Center, the MN STEM Ecosystem hosted the Statewide STEM Convening bringing together a strong cross-sector of business and industry, education, government, afterschool programs, museums, non-profit and community organizations to learn, collaborate and share STEM strategies and programs.

The day began with small group discussions focused on: Inclusive Environments, Fund Development, STEM Program Alignment, Volunteer and Participant Engagement, and Building Partnerships. Followed by breakout sessions centered on developing effective STEM Networks (presented by the MN STEM Ecosystem and Ignite Afterschool) and supporting students to create with technology with Code Clubs (presented by the Raspberry Pi Organization).

The day concluded with a panel discussion introducing the Minnesota State Centers of Excellence (presented by the Minnesota State Centers of Excellence and the MN STEM Ecosystem). The centers collaborate with industry and educators to attract and prepare students for success in high-demand careers.

The day was attended by approximately 100 STEM educators, program providers and industry partners. Surveys indicated all who attended found the day to valuable, with the “favorite” part of the day being the small group discussion (54%), followed closely by the Panel Discussion (38%). Over 85% of attendees stated they would attend this event again and found the information valuable.

Thank you to our project partners who made this possible!

