

## 2026 STEM Day at the Capitol

On April 15, the Minnesota State Capitol was once again buzzing with energy and innovation as **STEM Day at the Capitol** brought together students, educators, industry leaders, and policymakers from across the state. Hosted by the **Minnesota STEM Ecosystem** in partnership with SciMathMN, the event highlighted the critical role of STEM education in preparing Minnesota’s future workforce.



From 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM, the Capitol Rotunda and L’Etoile du Nord Vault were transformed into a vibrant, hands-on learning environment featuring interactive exhibits and STEM experiences – engaging young people, industry members and legislators alike!

Thanks to the **generous support of Xcel Energy**, this year’s STEM Day at the Capitol showcased organizations including the Science Museum of Minnesota, The Bakken Museum, Twin Cities PBS (TPT), Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Centers of Excellence, Raspberry Pi Foundation, the University of Minnesota, High Tech Kids, and many more.

Attendees explored a wide range of activities and programs, including robotics demonstrations, engineering challenges, coding experiences, and career exploration designed to connect classroom learning with real-world applications. These experiences highlighted the importance of providing students with access to high-quality STEM learning opportunities both in and out of school.

