



# STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

A Memo from the New Jersey Department of Education

**Date:** February 14, 2020 (*Updated Feb. 18 to clarify the grant applies to teachers who will teach STEM classes in grades 5 to 12*)

**To:** Chief School Administrators, Nonpublic School Administrators

**Route To:** All Public School Teachers

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**Deadline:** Nonpublic schools in partnership with teachers and districts must submit the Teach STEM Classes in Nonpublic Schools grant application by April 15, 2020

## **Grant Application Available to Teach STEM Classes in Nonpublic Schools**

The Teach STEM Classes in Nonpublic Schools grant application for district teachers is now available on the New Jersey Department of Education's (NJDOE) [Nonpublic School Programs website](#). The new Teach STEM Classes in Nonpublic Schools grant program provides additional remuneration for public school teachers to teach STEM classes in nonpublic schools during hours mutually agreed upon by the teacher, district and nonpublic school.

Eligible teachers must meet one of the following criteria: hold certification to teach STEM, be enrolled in a STEM program, or provide a written commitment to pursue a STEM program within two years. Grant funded teachers will teach STEM classes in grades 5 through 12 in nonpublic schools registered with the NJDOE.

The grant program is designed to incentivize teachers to obtain the necessary qualifications to teach STEM subjects; incentivize individuals to enter the teaching profession to fill the demand for qualified educators in STEM subjects; help address the difficulties public and nonpublic schools face in attracting qualified educators in the STEM fields; and improve statewide access to education in the STEM fields to address the workforce demands of New Jersey's economy.

The application must be submitted by a nonpublic school in partnership with a teacher and the school district in which the teacher is employed. Nonpublic schools interested in the grant program should contact an [Executive County Superintendent office](#) to request a complete list of interested teachers from all New Jersey counties. The nonpublic schools will contact teachers on the lists directly to pursue possible teaching arrangements and form partnerships.

The grant applications are due April 15, 2020. Grant winners will be announced in the spring, and teaching will begin in the 2020-21 school year. For instructions and the FAQ, visit the [Nonpublic School Programs website](#).

### **Contact information**

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