



## **OUTREACH PROGRAM FOR SCIENCE TEACHERS: CORE Mentorship Program**

### ***What Does This Program Do?***

It provides support for Connecticut teachers who want to help their students perform original STEM research and present their findings at local, state and national STEM Fairs.

### ***How Does The Program Work?***

A STEM educator who has experience helping students perform original STEM research and participate in STEM fairs will mentor a Connecticut science teacher who wants to learn how to do this.

The Mentor and science teacher meet at regular times for the following purposes:

- Help science teacher learn the steps for guiding/supporting a student through a science research project
- Familiarize the teacher with the SRC (Scientific Review Committee) process needed to review the student's research project.
- Familiarize the teacher with the procedures for applying to a STEM Fair and the STEM Fair's requirements.

There is a Teacher Stipend:

- \$100 for registration of student(s) in the annual CT STEM Fair held in February.
- \$100 for completion of the authentic review of student(s) project & scoring from CT STEM Fair

There is other Monetary Support:

- Registration Fee for up to three of the teacher's students to attend the CT STEM Fair will be waived by the Connecticut Stem Foundation.
- Up to \$100 will be provided for the purchase of resources need by the teacher for the student(s)' research activities.

There will be non monetary support from the Mentor in subsequent years, such as a workshop or ongoing meetings between the Mentor and the science teacher.