



STEM STATEWIDE COMMITTEE

Chair

Claire Sponseller, State 4-H STEM Educator; csponseller@uidaho.edu

Purpose

The Idaho 4-H STEM Statewide Committee builds upon an established research base to expand and support STEM programming within Idaho 4-H. The committee will also explore the possibility of hosting a district and/or statewide 4-H STEM event/contest and if the event is found feasible, will act as the steering committee.

Goals

- Identify and support 4-H STEM programming, grounded in youth development and educational practices based on identified needs
- Support 4-H STEM marketing, communication, and outreach activities
- Explore partnerships with STEM organizations
- Support the Idaho 4-H STEM Working Group as requested

Committee Member Responsibilities

- Gather input on agenda items before meetings
- Attend scheduled meetings
- Express ideas and input of constituents and stakeholders
- Complete action items assigned at meetings
- Assist in the development and delivery of group goals

Committee Membership

The Idaho 4-H STEM Statewide Committee will be comprised of a diverse group of members. Youth, volunteers, and at-large members must complete an application process.

- 1 Regional Extension Educator; Chair
- State office representatives: logistical coordinator/liaison and marketing/promotion
- 4 district faculty/staff reps: rotational system (4 year term)
- 2-4 at-large members: rotational system (2 year term)
- 2-4 volunteers: rotational system (2 year term)
- 4-8 youth (1 year term)

Members cannot serve 2 consecutive terms in the same position.

Meetings

Initially, monthly meetings by ZOOM. Details may change once the committee convenes.



STEM STATEWIDE COMMITTEE YOUTH POSITION DESCRIPTION

Name of Event: _____ TBD _____ Event Date: _____ TBD _____

Steering Committee Chair: _____ Claire Sponseller _____

PURPOSE: _____ To build and support STEM programming within Idaho 4-H. Further details to be determined by committee. _____

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Must be between the ages of 13-19, a 4-H member in good standing, and currently enrolled in Idaho 4-H.
- Up to eight youth positions (at least one per district) will be selected from submitted applications. Each position will serve a 1-year term. Applications must be approved by local county 4-H professionals and the State 4-H Director.
- An interest in working with other youth, volunteers and 4-H professionals in an educational setting and a willingness to work within the philosophy and guidelines of the UI 4-H Youth Development Program.
- Willingness to work as a cooperative and positive team member and assume leadership positions.
- Understand and utilize successful conflict resolutions skills.
- Act as a 4-H STEM ambassador to the public.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Work in collaboration with other STEM Statewide Committee members, 4-H Faculty/Staff, volunteers and youth in the coordination and implementation of STEM education and the STEM event.
- Follow and adhere to the UI 4-H Youth Development Code of Conduct.
- Follow all guidelines and policies of the University of Idaho Risk Management Office to ensure a safe and healthy environment for youth and adults participating in the convention.
- In partnership with committee members, publicize, promote and coordinate the STEM event program for 4-H members throughout Idaho.
- Help across district lines if needed.
- Work with STEM Statewide Committee members to ensure that appropriate qualifications, orientations, and/or trainings are provided for all youth and adults in the district before they attend the STEM event.
- Maintain sensitivity to the individual differences of 4-H members, families and volunteers and welcome all youth, their families and volunteers to participate in the event.

TIME COMMITMENT: Initially, monthly meetings by ZOOM. Details may change after the committee meets for the first time.

RESPONSIBLE TO: STEM Statewide Committee Chair, other Statewide Committee members and State 4-H Youth Development Director.



STEM STATEWIDE COMMITTEE VOLUNTEER POSITION DESCRIPTION

Name of Event: _____ TBD _____ Event Date: _____ TBD _____

Steering Committee Chair: _____ Claire Sponseller _____

PURPOSE: _____ To build and support STEM programming within Idaho 4-H. Further details to be determined by committee. _____

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Must be 21 years old and associated with STEM industry, business, education, or other organization.
- Up to four volunteer positions (one per district) will be selected from submitted applications. Each position will serve a 2-year term in a rotational system. Applications must be approved by local county 4-H professionals and the State 4-H Director.
- An interest in working with youth, volunteers and 4-H professionals in an educational setting and a willingness to work within the philosophy and guidelines of the UI 4-H Youth Development Program.
- Have an interest in working with the teens positively and cooperatively, providing them with an educational and positive youth-adult partnership.
- Willingness to work as a team member and motivate and inspire youth and adults to assume leadership positions.
- Understand and utilize successful conflict resolutions skills.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Work in collaboration with other STEM Statewide Committee members, 4-H Faculty/Staff, volunteers and youth in the coordination and implementation of STEM education and the STEM event.
- Follow and adhere to the UI 4-H Youth Development Code of Conduct.
- Follow all guidelines and policies of the University of Idaho Risk Management Office to ensure a safe and healthy environment for youth and adults participating in the convention.
- In partnership with committee members, publicize, promote and coordinate the STEM event program for 4-H members throughout Idaho.
- Help across district lines if needed.
- Work with STEM Statewide Committee members to ensure that appropriate qualifications, orientations, and/or trainings are provided for all youth and adults in the district before they attend the STEM event.
- Mentor and support teens in their assignments to assure a successful event and positive experience for the youth. Partner with these youth to plan and carry out event responsibilities which have been assigned to their district.
- Encourage youth to apply for leadership positions for the following year.
- Maintain sensitivity to the individual differences of 4-H members, families and volunteers and welcome all youth, their families and volunteers to participate in the event.

TIME COMMITMENT: Initially, monthly meetings by ZOOM. Details may change after the committee meets for the first time.

RESPONSIBLE TO: STEM Statewide Committee Chair, other Statewide Committee members and State 4-H Youth Development Director.



STEM STATEWIDE COMMITTEE AT-LARGE POSITION DESCRIPTION

Name of Event: TBD Event Date: TBD

Steering Committee Chair: Claire Sponseller

PURPOSE: To build and support STEM programming within Idaho 4-H. Further details to be determined by committee.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Must be 21 years old and associated with STEM industry, business, education, or other organization.
- Up to four at-large positions (one per district) will be selected from submitted applications. Each position will serve a 2-year term in a rotational system. Applications must be approved by local county 4-H professionals and the State 4-H Director.
- An interest in working with youth, volunteers and 4-H professionals in an educational setting and a willingness to work within the philosophy and guidelines of the UI 4-H Youth Development Program.
- Have an interest in working with the teens positively and cooperatively, providing them with an educational and positive youth-adult partnership.
- Willingness to work as a team member and motivate and inspire youth and adults to assume leadership positions.
- Understand and utilize successful conflict resolutions skills.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Work in collaboration with other STEM Statewide Committee members, 4-H Faculty/Staff, volunteers and youth in the coordination and implementation of STEM education and the STEM event.
- Follow and adhere to the UI 4-H Youth Development Code of Conduct.
- Follow all guidelines and policies of the University of Idaho Risk Management Office to ensure a safe and healthy environment for youth and adults participating in the convention.
- In partnership with committee members, publicize, promote and coordinate the STEM event program for 4-H members throughout Idaho.
- Maintain sensitivity to the individual differences of 4-H members, families and volunteers and welcome all youth, their families and volunteers to participate in the event.

TIME COMMITMENT: Initially, monthly meetings by ZOOM. Details may change once the committee convenes.

RESPONSIBLE TO: STEM Statewide Committee Chair, other Statewide Committee members and State 4-H Youth Development Director.