



CONNECT2STEM Awards

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NOMINATE YOUR PROGRAM FOR A STEM AWARD!

The **COX CONNECT2STEM Awards** are now accepting nominations online. Each winner will receive a \$1,000 grant to the STEM program of their choice along with recognition at the AZ SciTech awards event and promotion on COX cable channels. The award categories are:

After School Excellence Award

We are proud to sponsor this award which recognizes afterschool programs that are uniquely positioned to support STEM learning through hands-on, project-based activities that expand on and enhance concepts from the school day.



Student Teckie Award

This award recognizes a student's outstanding achievement in the pursuit of STEM education through leadership and advocacy.

Teacher Teckie Award

Sponsored by The Rodel Foundation of Arizona, this award recognizes innovative STEM teaching techniques in the classroom as well as through leadership and advocacy, making a system-wide impact on STEM in the community.

Innovation Award for Business

Sponsored by Cox Business, this award recognizes the innovative way businesses educate and inspire tomorrow's Arizona STEM workforce.

Creative Media Award

Sponsored by Cox Media this award recognizes the creative use of multi-media video and

technology platforms that provide real stories and successes from the classroom, to the boardroom and everything in between.

SUBMIT A
NOMINATION

The Walking Classroom Career Series

PODCAST SERIES HIGHLIGHTS CAREERS IN SCIENCE



Did you know [The Walking Classroom](#) offers a podcast series highlighting careers in science? Through interviews with scientists from the North Carolina Museum of National Sciences, listeners learn about the ins and outs of jobs like *Director of Genomics and Microbiology*. Each podcast is also paired with a lesson plan that includes questions for discussion, related books and extension activities. This is a fantastic opportunity for youth to explore careers they might not otherwise have considered!

CHECK OUT THE
PODCAST SERIES

Featured Activity

STRETCHY UNIVERSE SLIME

Our universe has been stretching and expanding in all directions since it was formed almost 14 billion years ago. In this activity from NASA Space Place, this concept is represented literally, through the creation of **Stretchy Universe Slime!** This is a fun, hands-on activity that opens the door for further space exploration. Youth can learn all about **The Big Bang** while making this squishy slime, and get excited about exploring specific elements of our universe - from stars to planets to entire galaxies, far, far away.



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