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## **My STEM Adventure**





#### Why **STEM** Education is Important





### **Getting Started with STEM Outreach**



#### Three Things to Keep in Mind:



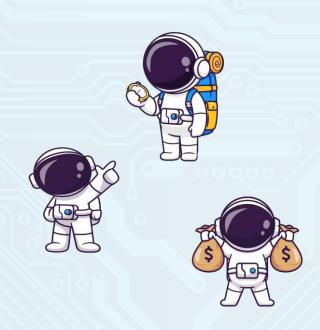
Simple



Affordable



Time - Friendly



#### One Small STEP for **STEM**



- Research Local Museums, Science Centers, or <u>Makerspaces</u>. They are always looking for volunteers
  - Google your city and Museum, Science Center or Makerspace
    - Look for a STEM Specialist, Volunteer Coordinator, or the institution's volunteer page
- Inquire at your company most companies support outreach. Could you host a tour of your lab or offer an internship?
- Donate School Supplies and Pack a Backpack
  - Contact your city's <u>United Way</u> or <u>Kids in Need Foundation</u> or <u>Adopt a Classroom</u>
  - Want to help a local school? <a href="https://www.donorschoose.org/">https://www.donorschoose.org/</a>



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- Become a STEM pen-pal <u>Letters to a Pre-Scientist</u>
- Donate STEM related books to a classroom Region 3's STEM Literacy Project
  - Connect with the school's STEM Liaison, Principal, or Librarian
  - For more information contact <u>Melody Richardson</u> <u>Richardson.Melody@gmail.com</u>
- Get Involved in IEEEs Existing Outreach Programs:
  - EDS-ETC Engineers Demonstrating Science: an Engineer Teacher Connection
  - <u>IEEE TryEngineering Volunteer STEM Portal</u>
  - TryEngineering Summer Institute
  - EPICS in IEEE Engineering Projects in Community Service (EPICS) is a program that organizes university and high-school students to work on engineering-related projects for local humanitarian organizations.
    - <u>WIE STAR Program</u> The IEEE Student-Teacher and Research Engineer/Scientist (STAR) program's aim is to create a technical support network for teachers and a mentoring program for students.



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