

TEACHER Newsletter







Summer Scientist: Does Corn Need Light? Lab Kit

The Kansas Corn STEM program is excited to offer the new Summer Scientist: Does Corn Need Light? lab kit. This kit is available to educators and volunteers, who are leading summer education programs.

In this free kit, children will work like scientists to explore the role light plays in growing a healthy corn plant. This kit will come with an instruction guide that will help your scientists through the investigation. The lab kit includes pots, bag of soil, bag of corn seed, measuring spoons and instruction guide.

In addition, the kit will include five "We Grow Corn!" books and activity guide.



The book, created by Kansas Corn, was written for educators. It takes the reader through the year long process of growing corn and highlights how agriculture plays an important role in our lives. The activity guide provides hands-on activities, farm video links and access to online challenges to help your scientist expand their learning. Kansas Corn STEM will be accepting request until May 18th. Kits will be mailed out on May 20th. Request your materials on the Kansas Corn STEM Summer Series page.

Seed to STEM Summer Workshops

The popular Seed to STEM workshops are a month away and we have a few openings. These free workshops are for 6th through 12th grade Kansas science teachers. Teachers who are selected will practice over 10 labs that they can use in the classroom to help students learn science and the roles science plays in agriculture. The workshop includes a farm and field visit, an ag industry dinner and a field trip to an ethanol plant. In addition,



every teacher will receive \$500 worth of free lab resources, plus all onsite expenses paid. Graduate credit will also be available at a cost to the participant.

1.0 TRACKS--Middle School and High School June 7-8 in Hays at Hays High School June 10-11 in Chanute at Chanute High School

High School Application

Middle School Application

What is Seed to STEM?

Last Day to Request Materials: May 15

The Kansas Corn STEM team is gearing up for summer. Starting May 15th, we will stop mailing out supplies and will resume August 15th. This allows the education team time to focus on summer programs and plan for the new school year. If you are still needing supplies for this school year or this summer, please get your request at the Kansas Corn STEM website.

Request Materials

"We Grow Corn!" Library Series

In February, Kansas Corn STEM launched a library series program. This program is aimed to provide Kansas public libraries with new resources to enhance their programming. With over 60 Kansas libraries who have already requested the supplies we are getting outstanding responses back. Encourage your local library to request their supplies at wegrowcorn.com.





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