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STEM SCHOOL WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Akron, Columbus, and Cincinnati win grants to create STEM Schools

COLUMBUS---The STEM Subcommittee of the Partnership for Continued Learning, chaired by Ohio Board of Regents Chancellor Eric D. Fingerhut, announced three additional STEM School awardees at its meeting on May 8, 2008.

The winning proposals and grant awards are:

1. Akron Public Schools (and partners) \$600,000
2. Columbus - Educational Council (and partners) \$599,251
3. Cincinnati - Strive \$596,770

The three new awardees join Wright State University (and partners) and Cleveland Metropolitan School District (and partners), which were awarded STEM School grants in February.

The primary purpose of the STEM [Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics] School funding is to create public schools (in any of grades 6 through 12) that will help generate a talent base to establish Ohio as a magnet and global leader in attracting, educating, and producing the next generation of scientists, engineers, and other professionals. This talent is needed to create tomorrow's innovations for the betterment of all Ohio's citizens.

An external panel, commissioned by the STEM Subcommittee, reviewed the proposals. The STEM Subcommittee made final grant awards based on the review panel's recommendations. A list of the proposals will be posted on the Partnership for Continued Learning website at www.pcl.ohio.gov.

The STEM Subcommittee of the Partnership for Continued Learning was established in HB 119 section 3326.01. The Subcommittee consists of the Chancellor of the Ohio Board of Regents (chair), the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, the Lieutenant Governor and four members of the public. The Speaker of the House and the Senate President each appoint one public member and the governor appoints the remaining two members. The complete STEM Subcommittee legislation can be found at http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/BillText127/127_HB_119_EN_N.html.

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