

Dear Parents and 4th and 5th graders,,

OSU Extension, Pickaway County and Teays Valley School District have teamed up to plan and implement the district's second annual after-school elementary-wide STEM Club. We will meet approximately 2 times per month in each of the four elementary buildings from 3:30-5:00 pm. Participants will be limited to 30 students per building. Acceptance in the after-school program will be **an application based lottery**. There will be a **\$ 25 fee for the year** with financial hardship waivers available. The fee will be turned in at the first STEM Club meeting. We will be having a STEM Club blog at <http://u.osu.edu/tvstemclub/> This website has the **calendar** for your students STEM Club meetings.

The goal of the program is to promote student interest and engagement in STEM in each of the elementaries. This program is considered an extension of the school day. Participants will be engaged in hands-on STEM activities and learn about careers in STEM.

Students who may enjoy STEM club are those who enjoy *being challenged* and who are interested in:

- the fields of STEM (science, technology, engineering, math)
- the process of learning, asking questions and problem solving
- Helping people and making a difference in the world

If your child is interested in participating in the lottery they must complete a short application. Applications are being sent home(on the back of this flyer) as well as being available for pick-up in the school office or by going to the Parent Tab on the Teays Valley website - http://www.tvsd.us/Downloads/STEM_Club.pdf. **Applications must be completed and submitted by Friday, August 24th. Applications should be submitted to each building office. NO LATE APPLICATIONS BECAUSE IT IS A LOTTERY!**



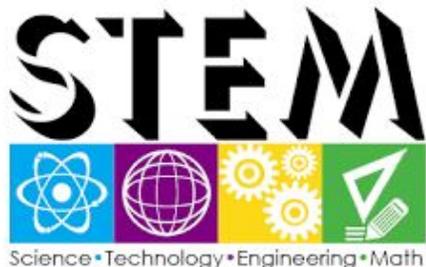
2018-2019 STEM Club Dates

**Dates are subject to change. In the event of school cancellation, STEM club will be canceled and not rescheduled.

Ashville September 4 & 6 October 8 & 30 November 1 December 4 January 8 & 10 February 4 & 7 March 5 April 2, 4 & 30	Scioto September 18 & 20 October 23 November 12 & 13 December 10 January 22 & 24 February 18 & 21 March 12 April 15 & 18 May 6
South Bloomfield September 10 & 13 October 11 November 5 & 8 December 6 January 14 & 17 February 11 & 14 March 7 April 9 & 11 May 2	Walnut September 25 & 27 October 25 November 27 & 29 December 13 January 29 & 31 February 26 & 28 March 14 April 25 & 30 May 9

2018-19 Teays Valley Elementary STEM Club Lottery Application

** For students in grades 4-5



We are charging a \$25 /year fee which can be turned in at the first STEM Club meeting. (Checks can be made out to Teays Valley Schools)*** See below.

Please answer the following questions in your best handwriting to the best of your ability; **Please return your application to your elementary school office by the end of day on Friday, August 24th.** NO APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THAT BECAUSE IT IS A LOTTERY!:) Students will be notified of acceptance or non-acceptance into the program shortly thereafter.

Student Application:

Parent Portion: Make sure everything is current in case of emergency.

Student Name _____

School _____ Grade _____

Homeroom Teacher _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____ Phone Number _____

Parent E-mail (Notification of acceptance/non-acceptance will be sent by e-mail)This is how we communicate with parents throughout the year!

_____ Please put a check mark on the line if a financial hardship waiver is needed. *(This will be confidential)*

Student Portion:

Essay:

Please attach a paragraph in your handwriting on why you should be chosen to be a part of the after school STEM club. Why does taking part in the club appeal to you? Include why you think you're a good candidate and what you hope to gain from the experience.

Behavior:

Were you ever sent to the office or lose your recess because of poor behavior during the 2017-2018 school year?

_____ Yes _____ No We expect the participants to be respectful and engaged during each Club meeting.

Students participating in STEM Club will stay after-school at their respective building. Students must be picked-up after each session by 5:00. **(Pick-up time is very important in this program.** If your child is not picked up by 5:00 after two sessions, they may be removed from the program.)

Participation in STEM Club is a privilege. Proper school behavior is expected. Students who do follow expectations may be removed from the program.

By signing below, I am acknowledging that I understand the rules and guidelines for participation in STEM Club.

Parent Signature

Student Signature

**The sustainability of the club lies between the continued partnership of OSU Extension, grants, business sponsorships, creative collaboration between professionals and academics, as well as, charging a nominal participation fee with financial hardship waivers available. We want our club to continue to be a safe and inspiring meet-up to learn and explore STEM in all its forms and interdisciplinary problems and solutions.*

