



### 10 Year Planning form for STEM

| Expectation   | Explanation   | Actions  | Your Actions |
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| <b>Increased Accessibility to Technology</b>                        | Initiatives aimed at providing underserved communities with access to high-speed internet, modern computers, and other essential technologies.              | Support and advocate for infrastructure developments and digital inclusion programs.             |              |
| <b>Targeted Scholarships and Grants</b>                             | Scholarships and grant programs specifically designed for underserved populations in STEM fields will expand, reducing the barrier of high education costs. | Create or contribute to scholarship funds and grant programs focused on underserved groups.      |              |
| <b>Expanded Mentorship Programs</b>                                 | Mentorship by professionals in STEM fields will become more prevalent, focusing on guiding students from underserved communities.                           | Develop and support mentorship programs that connect professionals with students.                |              |
| <b>Culturally Relevant Curriculum</b>                               | Educational materials and teaching methods that reflect the diverse cultural backgrounds of students will become more common.                               | Implement and promote curriculum development that includes diverse cultural perspectives.        |              |
| <b>Hands-on Learning Experiences</b>                                | A greater emphasis on experiential learning through labs, field trips, and real-world problem-solving projects.   | Design and support programs that provide practical, hands-on STEM learning opportunities.        |              |
| <b>Community-Based STEM Centers</b>                                 | Community centers focusing on STEM education will offer after-school programs, summer camps, and workshops for underserved youth.                           | Invest in or collaborate with community centers to expand STEM educational offerings.            |              |
| <b>Corporate Partnerships</b>                                       | More corporations will partner with educational institutions and non-profits to fund STEM programs for underserved populations.                             | Form partnerships between corporations and educational bodies to support STEM initiatives.       |              |
| <b>Inclusive Recruitment Practices</b>                              | Companies and higher education institutions will adopt more inclusive recruitment practices to increase diversity.  | Adopt and promote recruitment practices that focus on diversity and inclusion.                   |              |
| <b>Virtual Reality (VR) and Augmented Reality (AR) in Education</b> | Advances in VR and AR technology will be used to create immersive and interactive learning environments for STEM education.                                 | Invest in VR and AR tools for schools and educational programs, especially in underserved areas. |              |

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| <b>Policy Initiatives and Support</b>                         | Governments will introduce more policies and initiatives to promote STEM education among underserved populations.                          | Engage with policymakers to advocate for supportive STEM education policies.                   |  |
| <b>Future Projections Based on Technological Advancements</b> | Future projections are based on trends in technological advancements, policy initiatives, corporate partnerships, and demographic changes. | Support STEM initiatives through funding, advocacy, and the development of inclusive programs. |  |

### **Legislative Trends for PESTEL Concerns**

**The future projections for STEM opportunities for underserved populations are based on several key factors:**

**Technological Advancements:** As technology continues to evolve rapidly, its integration into education, especially STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics), is expected to increase, leading to more accessible and advanced learning tools.

**Policy and Funding Initiatives:** Governments and various organizations are increasingly recognizing the importance of inclusive education. Policies and funding aimed at reducing educational disparities are likely to grow, supporting STEM opportunities specifically for underserved populations.

**Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR):** Many corporations are expanding their CSR efforts to include education initiatives, especially in STEM fields. This includes partnerships with schools, funding for programs, and provision of resources and mentorship.

**Educational Research:** Ongoing research into effective educational practices for diverse populations helps tailor educational strategies to better meet the needs of underserved communities.

**Public Awareness and Advocacy:** Increased awareness of the disparities in STEM education leads to greater advocacy for inclusive education, pushing for more programs and opportunities for underserved groups.

**Demographic Changes and Needs:** As demographic compositions change, there is a growing need to address the educational requirements of diverse populations to ensure equitable access to career opportunities in STEM fields.