

Teaching & Learning Dept STEM Services and Supports

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Connect, Learn, Innovate: Sign Up for Kent ISD's STEAM News

Title & Contact	Description	Highlights	District Participation
Du Bui (dubui@kentisd.org) Join our Network and get our emails!	The Kent STEAM Network serves as a platform for STEM educators and leaders to engage with local community partners. This network is dedicated to enhancing knowledge, skills, and collaboration within a professional setting, with an emphasis on interdisciplinary practices, project-based learning (PBL), durable skills, and computer science. SAVE THE DATE Michigan High School Esports Summit August 15, 2025 Learning Blade September 9, 2025 Kent STEAM Network Connect October 13, 2025- Gordon Food Service		This year, we will be working to transition the Kent Computer Science Network into the Kent STEAM Network. Past Participants of Kent STEAM Network Byron Center Caledonia Cedar Springs Comstock Park Diocese of Grand Rapids East Grand Rapids Godfrey Lee Godwin Heights Grand Rapids Grand Rapids Kelloggsville Kenowa Hills Kent City Kentwood Lowell Rockford Sparta Thornapple Kellogg Wyoming West Michigan Aviation Academy

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	November 3, 2025 Arts Ed Summit May 2026		Beyond Kent County • West Ottawa • Hastings • Zeeland • Rochester Hills Public
Kent STEM Resource Library	One of the major goals for Kent STEM is to provide a robust and useful set of materials for educators to check out and try before they fully commit to purchasing them for their classrooms or districts. View the checkout form here! Input from educators is essential, so if you have any ideas for items that should exist in our library, please email dubui@kentisd.org	New Items coming this year: Classroom set of Indi Robots Classroom set of Ozobots Testimonials "The ability to check out materials from the ISD STEM department is a valuable resource. The process is simple and provides a way for educators to try out equipment before we buy it. It also provides a way to do activities as a class." Audrey Debri, Y5's Teacher at Cedar Trails Elementary	Participants that USE the STEM Library: Cedar Springs Kent City Kentwood Godfrey-Lee Grand Rapids Public Lowell Grandville Rockford
Career Connected Learning Know Yourself - Interests - Storegits - Storegits - Storegits - Learning Explore Options - Learning Tales of Storegits - Plan - Guard setting -	Consulting involved Michigan's Career Development model and Durable Skills. Use this document to help with planning these experiences.	"We have relied heavily on Kent ISD for professional development support. Mr. Bui and his team have been a true asset. Their expertise and experience, specifically with PBL, has supported our entire staff during our redesign process."	Participants who have received PBL and Design Thinking Coaching Kentwood Godfrey-Lee Rockford Caledonia Kenowa Hills

Kent ISD Esports Support



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The Rise of Esports: Why it Matters for STEM Education

MiHSEF Esports Directors & Coaches Summit August 2024



Program Highlights

- Deliver professional learning to educators on the curricular ties to esports and how to start and support an elementary or secondary esports program/team.
- Facilitate an esports competition for Kent County students.
- Expand state exposure and participation in esports for students in underrepresented populations defined by socioeconomic status, cultural background, gender, and others.

Many of our esports services are made possible in collaboration with

REMC Student-Centered Learning Across Michigan Project.

Michigan High School Esports Federation

Network of Academic And Scholastic Esports Federations

Immersive Teaching



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The next session begins on November 3, 2025 Immersive Storytelling for Educators: A one day workshop exploring how this innovative approach transforms education, reaches reluctant readers, and enhances SEL. Experience roleplaying style gameplay, create immersive stories, and collaborate with fellow educators.

Learn more in our blog: 'How immersive storytelling transforms education, reaches reluctant readers, and enhances SEL.

Educators praised our immersive storytelling course as exceptional professional development.



"Very engaging, creative, fun and can be connected to all disciplines.....unusual in a PD"

"I LOVED this. I was completely engaged. I have not been to a really good PD in a while."

Participants left with practical plans: "Gamifying my math curriculum to include more

Past Participants

- Grand Rapids Public
- Grandville Public
- Wyoming Public
- Adult Ed
- Grand Rapids Chrisitan

Beyond Kent County

- Kalamazoo RESA
- Michigan Great Lakes Virtual Academy
- Parchment School District
- Macomb ISD

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how to start and support a secondary esports program/team. Facilitate an esports competition for REMC Esports Academy participant teams. Expand state exposure and participation in esports for students in underrepresented populations defined by socioeconomic status, cultural background, gender, and others.	This offering is made possible through the REMC Student-Centered Learning Across Michigan Project.
 Coaching and coordination plan for a successful event or series of events. Connects schools with industry partners "The ISD consultants have been invaluable to us in the planning and implementation of our STEM program. They have walked alongside us in providing professional learning to grow our STEM teaching capacity." Karen Baum, Instructional Specialist, North Godwin Elementary 	Active Kent Districts Cedar Springs Kentwood Godfrey Lee Godwin
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Professional Learning	Coordination that helps ensure	2024-2025	2024-2025 District Participation
Coordination and Delivery	systemic delivery of relevant,	• 134 Educators Attended 4	
	evidence-based, and efficient professional learning.	Virtual and In-Person Professional Learning	Participants include educators from 20 districts and psa's in
EdTech PD Offerings	professionariearning.	Opportunities	Kent County, educators from 20
EdTech Consulting Menu		OTT Have af Tasia in a	other counties in Michigan, and
<u> Zarcon consulting menu</u>		• 813 Hours of Training	1 from out of the state of Michigan.
2024-2025 Professional		• 632 SCECHs Earned by 101	i-norngan.
<u>Learning Plans</u>		Educators	
Curious about what Kent ISD is			
planning for PD in the coming			
school year. Check out the			
2024-2025 PL Plans.			

Not seeing a needed support? Please contact us at dubui@kentisd.org