



STEM Scouts is a national program from the Boy Scouts of America (BSA), focused on fun ways for girls and boys, grades 3-12, to learn more about STEM. Hands-on activities and interaction with STEM professionals stir up Scouts' interest in the world around them.

Weekly meetings and field trips use the Scouts' natural curiosity to help build interest in STEM-related subjects and careers. Scouts rotate through different leadership positions within the group to learn leadership and cooperation. Incorporating the Scout Oath and Laws provides an opportunity to teach character development as well as STEM subjects.

The curriculum activities and supporting material, designed and vetted by STEM educators and industry leading companies, unfolds in modules that each address a single topic, such as chemistry or gravity, over several meetings. All Modules are tested and approved by youth. Elementary, middle and high school Scouts explore subjects in six-week modules.

Volunteers in Tolland have hosted two groups, elementary and middle school, every Thursday at the Tolland Intermediate School for three consecutive years in a row. The members of these groups are offering an information night on Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup> in the Tolland Intermediate Cafeteria from 6:30-7:30pm to further explain what STEM Scouts has to offer your child. We hope to see you there!

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