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## STEM Schools of Distinction: An Introductory Conversation

Becoming a STEM School of Distinction (SSoD) is a designation and honor awarded by the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction (NCDPI). More importantly, it is a model for designing engaging, relevant and exciting instruction in all classrooms. During this introduction, we will review the SSoD rubric and discuss how your school can design a plan for moving toward this designation. Become the center for community and business engagement while offering opportunities for all students to envision their future as they experience the real world in each classroom. It is the first step in a journey that explores Strategies That Engage Minds!

## **Presentation Target:**

**All Audiences** 

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