



NEXTSTEPS INSTITUTE

The Next Steps Institute (NSI), powered by Earth Force, is the premier professional development program for educational professionals that promotes hands-on, minds-on learning in STEM education. Organized by pathways that take participants on an engaging journey into critical STEM learning arenas, the Institute offers the depth and breadth of content needed to enhance effectiveness in action and advocacy. NSI pathways are delivered by recognized STEM educators and are guided by research and best practices from the classroom and other learning environments.

NSI offers school leadership teams:

- Inquiry-based professional development at an affordable cost
- Tools for effective materials management
- Strategies for promotion of 21st century skills through STEM partnerships educational models for educators

If you are interested in underwriting a Next Steps Institute pathway or would like information on joining us as a sponsor or exhibitor, please contact Emily Vercoe at evercoe@earthforce.org.

Earth Force convenes uncommon collaborators and helps community stakeholders make community problem solving an essential component of young people's education. We provide professional development, technical support, and curriculum integration.



NEXT STEPS INSTITUTE 2013

Next Steps for STEM Schools

{ Charleston, SC } Sept. 30 - Oct. 2, 2013

Next Steps provides participants a common set of experiences to promote dialog, analysis, and planning for STEM education. Through active participation, engaging discussions, and inquiry-centered sessions, participants will:

- Share experiences and expertise with STEM education leaders from around the region and across the country
- Learn strategies for advancing the implementation of instructional improvement
- Experience best practices and models from nationally recognized leaders and programs
- Strengthen your strategic plan for improving STEM learning

COST TO PARTICIPATE*

Individual - \$360 // Team of 3 or more people - \$330 per team member

Cost includes three-day conference, materials, meals, and transportation to and from the airport. * We offer a one-day option for participants with limited availability. Please inquire for more details.

LOCATION

The Embassy Suites North Charleston – Airport/Hotel & Convention Center

If travelling from out of town, we recommend attendees secure a room at the hotel for the highest convenience.

REGISTER NOW at www.nextstepsinscience.org

Questions? Email evercoe@earthforce.org or call 303.921.8141.

PATHWAY OPTIONS

- The "Nuts & Bolts of Instructional Materials Support"
- 21st Century Skills and the next generation of content standards
- STEM Schools: Key characteristics and models that work
- STEM Education: Connecting the experiences before, during, and afterschool
- STEM Advocacy: Winning friends and influencing policy at the local, state, and national level
- STEM Tech: Extending the reach of student learning
- STEM Workforce Development

