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## LaSTEM Statewide Summit

**What:** LaSTEM Statewide Summit

**When:** Friday, September 7, 2018; 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**Where:** Pennington Biomedical Research Center

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*The inaugural LaSTEM Statewide Summit will showcase the amazing STEM programs that Louisiana has to offer as well as bring in speakers from around the country to talk all things STEM! The event will bring together regional partners from across the state to discuss the planning and creation of Regional STEM Centers.*

*The Summit is sponsored in part by Louisiana Economic Development, Boeing, and Dow and will feature interactive displays from NASA, the U.S. Army, FIRST Robotics, VEX Robotics, LSU, Nicholls, Tulane STEM, Electric Girls, and the University of New*

Orleans. Other groups from around the state will be on hand to highlight STEM programs and activities.

<b>Agenda</b>	<b>Location</b>
<p><u>Call to Order (8:30am)</u> <b>Dr. Vernon K. Dunn, Jr.</b> LaSTEM Coordinator</p> <p><u>Welcome</u> <b>Governor John Bel Edwards</b></p> <p><u>Opening Remarks</u> <b>Senator Sharon Hewitt</b></p> <p><u>Opening Plenary Fest</u> <b>Dr. Bill Cassidy</b> US Senate</p> <p><b>Don Pierson</b> Secretary, Louisiana Economic Development</p> <p><b>Susana Schowen</b> Director, Workforce Initiatives, LED FastStart</p> <p><b>Dr. Jeff Weld</b> White House Office of Science and Technology Policy</p> <p>Group Breakout Sessions (10:30am)</p> <p>Lunch</p> <p>Group Breakout Sessions (2:00pm)</p> <p><u>Call to Action and Closing (4:00pm)</u> <b>Dr. Kim Hunter Reed</b> Commissioner of Higher Education</p>	<p>Pennington Biomedical Research Center 6400 Perkins Road Baton Rouge, LA 70808</p>

*Media is invited to attend. For interview requests, please email [bor.publicaffairs@la.gov](mailto:bor.publicaffairs@la.gov).*

*For more information about LaSTEM, visit [lastem.regents.la.gov](http://lastem.regents.la.gov).*

*If you plan to attend and need assistance because you have a disability, please notify our office in advance and accommodations will be made for you.*

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### **About LaSTEM**

The Louisiana Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (LaSTEM)

Advisory Council under the auspices of the Board of Regents is tasked to coordinate and oversee the creation, delivery, and promotion of STEM education programs, to increase student interest and achievement in the fields of STEM, to ensure the alignment of education, economic development, industry, and workforce needs, and to increase the number of women who graduate from a postsecondary institution with a STEM degree or credential.

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