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To: Superintendents, Career and Technical Education (CTE) Directors, and School Leaders

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Subject: STEM School Certification Guidance for Secondary Schools

The Indiana Department of Education (IDOE) recently identified the need to recognize the unique and variable structures of high school and career center STEM programs. In accordance with [Indiana's Priorities for STEM Education](#), the goals of Indiana's STEM Certified Schools program, and feedback from a variety of stakeholders, new STEM Certification guidelines and materials for junior/senior high schools, high schools, and career centers are under development. These guidelines and materials will be separate from the guidance and materials for K-8 schools currently found on IDOE's [STEM Certification webpage](#).

This updated STEM Certification guidance will launch in July with application submissions due Friday, October 28. Support for schools applying for STEM Certification under this new guidance will begin with a series of kick-off meetings following the launch of associated materials. Schools that wish to receive future information regarding this new guidance should provide their contact information via this [JotForm](#).

Contact IDOE's [Office of Teaching and Learning](#) with any questions.