Employment in the STEM sector has grown by 79% in the last 30 years, outpacing overall job growth and offering high-wage jobs in growing industries. However, many positions go unfilled because of the lack of prepared professionals.

By 8th grade, many future STEM professionals have already decided on a career path, so in order to build a strong STEM workforce, we need to get students engaged in meaningful STEM learning early and often. Science Olympiad was designed to help students build STEM skills and understanding through inquiry-based challenges, starting in kindergarten all the way through high school. We engage industry professionals, institutions of higher education, community mentors, and Science Olympiad alumni to ensure that our programming exposes students to the latest scientific innovations and breakthroughs and prepares them for what’s next.

Science Olympiad aligns to:
- Career and Technical Education (CTE) pathways
- Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS)

“Corteva Agriscience is a proud supporter of Science Olympiad because we believe their students are the next research scientists, engineers, and agricultural professionals who are going to bring our industry into the future. These students are passionate about learning, and they are developing valuable skills that will benefit the entire STEM community.”

Dr. Ronda Hamm  
Corteva Agriscience

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