



Iowa Governor's STEM Advisory Council
Guidelines for

STEM BEST®
**Businesses Engaging Students and
Teachers**

Allowable Expenses for the STEM BEST® grant include:

- **Curriculum Development**
 - Project proposal may include costs for curriculum development, working closely with business and industry partners.
- **District Team Site Visits**
 - Proposal may include travel expenses for district teams or designees to visit one or more exemplary STEM BEST® school model(s) to benchmark and research key criteria.
- **Participation in statewide STEM BEST® or related conferences and events**
- **Needs Assessment**
 - Community surveys of students, parents, business, and industry.
- **Direct and Indirect Costs**
 - Facility development, technology, liability and insurance consultations.
- **Professional Development (PD) for STEM teachers and partners**
 - Proposal may include costs to provide training in collaboration with business professional partners, in the use of project-based learning, career education, and STEM professional development.
- **Coordinator and Business Development Support**
- Project coordinator, staffing.
- **Other costs not noted above**