# **HOOT**Honoring Outstanding Owl

**Teachers** 

# Interactive STEM/ STEAM activities for the Pre-K to 5th grade classroom

EXPANDING RESEARCH AND PRACTICE TO PREPARE EDUCATORS FOR THE FUTURE

This colloquium and guided discussion will be led by

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#### Session Abstract

Science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM/STEAM to include Art) activities have been shown to facilitate the development of creativity, collaboration, communication, problem solving, and critical thinking (Bryan et al., 2015; Honey et al., 2014). Occupations related to STEM/STEAM are growing at an exponential rate (Nooan, 2017). Thus, equipping students with these skills will better prepare them for future employment. This presentation will examine the concept of STEM/STEAM and provide an overview of a variety of interactive, inexpensive, and exploratory activities that are designed to engage all learners, including those with disabilities in the Pre-K to 5th grade, into the growing field of learning and careers.

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2022 5:30 - 7PM Via Zoom Videoconferencing

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#### Session Agenda

5:30-5:40	Introductions
5:40-5:50	HOOT Program Overview
5:50-6:40	Colloquium
6:40-7:00	Q&A/Discussion Homework Explanation



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