

## COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA Department of Education

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TO: Division Superintendents

FROM: Steven R. Staples, Superintendent of Public Instruction

## SUBJECT: Virginia Association of School Superintendents (VASS) Workshops on "Leading the Way in STEM"

The Virginia Association of School Superintendents (VASS) is offering a full-day workshop, "Leading the Way in STEM," on October 7 at the Hampton Roads Embassy Suites and Convention Center. This workshop is designed to assist individual educators or teams of superintendents, key administrators, and instructional leaders in the development and improvement of their school divisions' Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) programs. The workshop will feature a general session in the morning that will provide participants with data for implementing a STEM strategy, examples of successes, and suggested next steps. The afternoon breakout sessions will highlight exemplary programs in Virginia as well as provide participants with opportunities to ask specific questions.

Please share the memo and the attached workshop program, Attachment A, with all of your staff members. For more information and online registration, visit the VASS Web site: <a href="www.vassonline.org">www.vassonline.org</a>, or click on this link: <a href="http://vass.schoolwires.net//site/Default.aspx?PageID=125">http://vass.schoolwires.net//site/Default.aspx?PageID=125</a>

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Attachment:

A. Agenda – "Leading the Way in STEM" (PDF)