

CTSGC STEM Educator Resources for January



National Mentoring Month



Are you looking to inspire students ignite their passions and help turn those wildest dreams into reality? Connecting students with mentors is a great way to enhance their self-esteem and self-confidence, improve their interpersonal relationships, and increase their engagement in school.

Want to lean more?

• Learn more about mentoring, including resources to mentor youth, at https://www.mentoring.org/.



National Static Electricity Day

Static electricity has no doubt brought a little spark to your day from time-to-time whether it came from walking through a carpet in socks or petting your 4-legged best friends. But have you ever celebrated a day for it? You can on January 9th!

Want to lean more?

- GenerationGenius offers a simple lesson on using static to make an object "float"
- <u>TeachEngineering</u> offers tips on teaching students about static electricity, including the connection to engineering.
- What I Have Learned has ideas and images for educators who want to teach about static.

Meteor Showers This Month



There Quadrantids are currently active through January 16th.

Want to learn more?

You can learn more about these at the <u>American Meteor Society</u> website.

We invite you to join NASA CONNECTS!

You can join as a formal K-12 educator or as a professional in the informal education (out-of-school time) field. Registered community members will have the opportunity to sign up for engagement events, view and chat with other members who are interested in similar fields, read exclusive NextGen STEM content, and access resources such as lesson plans and interactive media. These members will discover resources that enable further STEM learning in their respective areas.

If you have a Gateway account, click the button below to log in through NASA Gateway, then register to join NASA CONNECTS. If you do not have a NASA Gateway account, you will need to create one before joining this community of practice by clicking the button below and following the prompts.

What's Happening Next Month?

National Inventors Day National Engineers Week

We are always looking to share information with K-12 partners who have a passion for STEM topics. Please forward this email to others in your school or district who may enjoy the content, and ask them to join our mailing list by clicking the link below!

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