

Business Roundtable Recognizes Five Programs for ‘Outstanding’ Work in K-12 Education

ST Math, Success for All, New Teacher Center, UTeach and Executive Development Program for School Leaders Selected As Part of Roundtable Effort to Scale Up Initiatives that Work

Washington – **Business Roundtable** today recognized five K-12 education programs as outstanding programs that have demonstrated a strong potential for helping prepare more U.S. K-12 students for college and the workplace. The Roundtable will work with ST Math, Success for All, New Teacher Center, the National Math and Science Initiative’s UTeach program and the Executive Development Program for School Leaders to help scale up their efforts.



“We are proud to recognize these programs for their outstanding work to improve U.S. student achievement, and the business leaders within the Business Roundtable look forward to working with them to generate even greater results,” said Rex W. Tillerson, Chairman & CEO of ExxonMobil, and Chair of the Business Roundtable Committee on Education and Workforce. “With the selection of these programs, Business Roundtable is making progress toward the goal we put forth with this K-12 education initiative: recognize what’s working and begin to help achieve greater results for all American students.”

Business Roundtable, an association of chief executive officers of leading U.S. companies, launched its K-12 education initiative earlier this year, aimed at identifying a small number of proven and scalable programs that address priority issues related to the Roundtable’s commitment to U.S. STEM education, teacher quality, early reading and full implementation of the Common Core State Standards.

The programs announced today were selected from a deep pool of nearly 100 applicants and after a rigorous six-month undertaking based in part on Design Principles for Effective Philanthropy created by Change the Equation, a coalition of U.S. CEOs committed to improving education in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM). The Business Roundtable process included review by an independent panel of distinguished experts:

- John Bailey, Executive Director of Digital Learning Now! at the Foundation for Excellence in Education
- Eric A. Hanushek, Paul and Jean Hanna Senior Fellow in Education at the Hoover Institution, Stanford University
- Frederick M. Hess, Resident Scholar and Director of Education Policy Studies at the American Enterprise Institute
- Mona Mourshed, Director at McKinsey & Company
- Marc S. Tucker, President and Chief Executive Officer of the National Center on Education and the Economy

Programs were required to meet a stringent set of criteria to prove their effectiveness and capacity for being expanded, which included:

- Evidence of successful replication;
- Alignment with the Common Core State Standards; and
- Evidence that programs have been in operation for at least three years with demonstrated results over time.

Additional details on the selected programs include:

ST Math uses game-based instructional software to boost math comprehension and proficiency, primarily for pre-K-5 students. [Click here](#) to learn more.

Success for All focuses on ensuring success in reading for children in high-poverty elementary and middle schools.

New Teacher Center partners with states and districts to design and implement comprehensive new teacher induction programs that provide face-to-face and online mentoring with highly skilled educators. [Click here](#) to learn more.

The National Math and Science Initiative's UTeach program enables college students majoring in STEM fields to receive a full teaching certificate without adding time or cost to their degrees. [Click here](#) to learn more.

Executive Development Program for School Leaders uses face-to-face and online training to develop effective principals. [Click here](#) to learn more.

ST Math was also among four programs that rose to the top of a complementary initiative undertaken by Change the Equation to identify high-quality, immediately scalable STEM programs that was also announced today. [Click here](#) to learn more about Change the Equation's initiative.