

Inspiring the Scientists and Engineers of the Future

GM Canada helps to provide STEM Workshops for Students in the Niagara Region

ST. CATHARINES, Ont. (October 23, 2018) — On October 17, GM Canada presented Scientists in School with a C\$33,000 donation to help deliver workshops in six schools across the Niagara Region. From kindergarten to grade 8, this donation will allow each grade in the participating schools to enjoy a workshop that incorporates science, technology, engineering and math (STEM).

Through Scientists in School, an education-focused charity that aims to spark children's interest in STEM, students participate in hands-on workshops in the classroom and community. Under the guidance of a science expert, students become the scientists and engineers, and develop modern skills needed for tomorrow's workforce.

"GM Canada is committed to providing STEM education programs for students to inspire the next generation of technological innovators," says Stephanie Thompson, GM St. Catharines engineer and STEM funding committee member for GM Canada. "Our goal is to expose students to STEM through education and mentorship programs, such as Scientists in School, to help increase their interest in pursuing technology and engineering degrees."

In January of this year, GM Canada announced a new STEM Fund, committing C\$1.8 million to supporting initiatives that focus on introducing elementary and high school students to STEM, with an emphasis on inspiring children, especially young girls, to try science and technology through interactive, hands-on programs across the country.

About General Motors Canada

General Motors is redefining mobility and focused on realizing our vision of a world with zero crashes, zero emissions and zero congestion. We believe that to realize this vision, we will need to support far greater participation in STEM. By supporting STEM education programs from elementary school through to university, GM Canada is ensuring that the next generation of innovators receives the knowledge and skills to help GM lead the future of mobility.

About Scientists in School

Founded in 1989, Scientists in School is a dynamic Canadian charity dedicated to catalyzing long-lasting interest in STEM and environmental stewardship through hands-on, discovery-based classroom and community workshops. Last year, more than 703,000 Kindergarten to Grade 8 students in 25,040 workshops across Ontario and Alberta became 'scientists in school', with another 32,120 participating in community setting workshops. Nine million young scientists have been engaged over Scientists in School's 29-year history. Our mission is to ignite scientific curiosity in children so that they question intelligently; learn through discovery; connect scientific knowledge to their world; are excited about science, technology, engineering and math; and have their interest in careers in those fields piqued. For more, visit www.scientistsinschool.ca (<http://www.scientistsinschool.ca>).

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