

CENTRALEXCHANGE.ORG/STEMMY-NOMINATIONS

On October 27, Central Exchange will proudly present the 9th Annual STEMM Awards Gala Luncheon at Fiorella's Event Space in Overland Park. Your nomination helps us recognize Kansas City business and civic leaders, students and educators, entrepreneurs and advocates who work together to increase gender diversity and who excel in their STEMM field. **Below are the category descriptions and the questions asked for each category on the Nomination Form.**

Student Achiever

The **Student Achiever STEMM Award** recognizes a female college student currently enrolled in a Kansas or Missouri college or university who has professional aspirations in a STEMM field. She has demonstrated academic achievements, shows exemplary student involvement in the campus/ community organizations and is a leader amongst her peers at her college or university.

1. Briefly describe why you believe the nominee should be recognized as a WiSTEMM Student Achiever.
2. Describe the nominee in 3 words.
3. What are her Academic Achievements?
4. How does she demonstrate involvement in student organizations or community?
5. How is she a leader amongst her peers at her college or university?
6. What professional aspirations does she have in the STEMM field?

WiSTEMM Educator

The **WiSTEMM Educator STEMM Award** recognizes a full-time faculty member in a STEMM field. She is recognized by her institution/community as an Excellent Educator based upon student or faculty assessments and community accolades.

1. Briefly describe why you believe the nominee should be recognized as a WiSTEMM Educator.
2. Describe the nominee in 3 words.
3. How is she recognized by her institution as an Excellent Educator based upon student or faculty assessments?
4. How does she promote involvement in STEMM related activities?
5. How is she engaged at her school and in the broader community in efforts that promote STEMM, demonstrate social responsibility, and shows how she invests in others?

Enterprising Innovator

The **Enterprising Innovator STEMM Award** recognizes a woman business owner in a STEMM field. She demonstrates exemplary leadership in her business by establishing a strong vision and achieving great success. She demonstrates industry excellence by influencing others in her STEMM field and is viewed as a key contributor in her industry.

1. Briefly describe why you believe the nominee should be recognized as an Enterprising Innovator.
2. Describe the nominee in 3 words.
3. Does she demonstrate exemplary leadership for her business by establishing a strong vision and achieving great success? If so, how?
4. How is she an entrepreneurial leader for women in STEMM?
5. How is she involved in STEMM activities that impacts our community, drives positive economic trends, demonstrates social responsibility, and invests in employee culture?

Corporate/Organization HERO

The **Corporate/Organization HERO STEMMy Award** recognizes a company (large or small) or a non-profit that promotes women in STEMM. The company/non-profit is actively engaged in KC Metro STEMM related activities/organizations. The company/non-profit is highly supportive of women working in STEMM fields and provides benefits in the form of education, growth opportunities, flexibility and camaraderie.

1. Briefly describe why you believe the nominee should be recognized as a Corporate/Organization HERO.
 2. Please provide the mission and or values statement for the company/organization.
 3. What ties to STEMM does this company have?
 4. Describe why you believe this company should receive the Corporate Hero STEMMy Award.
 5. Describe how the company/organization is actively engaged in the STEMM community in the Kansas City metro area.
 6. Describe how the company/organization provides a high level of support/benefits for women working in STEMM fields.
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Rising Trendsetter

The **Rising Trendsetter Award** recognizes a woman with **less than 15-years of professional experience** in a STEMM field and who has demonstrated significant achievement early in her career. She is an Influencer of women in STEMM, showing peer recognition and peer support. She is an emerging leader for women in STEMM and is involved in STEMM activities in her company and/or the community.

1. Briefly describe why you believe the nominee should be recognized as a Rising Trendsetter.
 2. Describe the nominee in 3 words.
 3. Please give examples of how she is an influencer and emerging leader in STEMM, and how she shows peer recognition and support.
 4. How does she exemplify industry excellence as a key contributor in the company/industry of her chosen STEMM field?
 5. How is she involved in STEMM activities that impacts our community, drives positive economic trends, demonstrates social responsibility, and invests in employee culture?
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Groundbreaking Leadership

The **Groundbreaking Leadership Award** recognizes a woman in STEMM who has made significant contributions to the STEMM community throughout her 15+ year professional career. She is a champion of women in STEMM, promoting gender equity in leadership roles, supporting women entering or growing STEMM careers and celebrating achievements by women in STEMM. She is a 360-degree leader who casts a vision, sets and attains goals, learns from other leaders, mentors others, influences peers and propels innovation and change.

1. Briefly describe why you believe the nominee should be recognized as a Groundbreaking Leader.
 2. Describe the nominee in 3 words.
 3. Describe how the nominee is a 360-degree leader who casts visions, sets and attains goals, learns from other leaders, mentors others, influences peers, and propels innovation and change.
 4. Please give at least one example of how the nominee is known for industry excellence, is an expert on product/service/process, has a history of high-quality results/customer loyalty, and how she is a contributor to progress in her industry.
 5. How is she involved in STEMM activities that impacts our community, drives positive economic trends, demonstrates social responsibility, and invests in employee culture?
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WiSTEMM Champion

The **WiSTEMM Champion Award** recognizes a leader working in a STEMM field/organization or in association with a STEMM field/organization. They are bridge builders who cast a vision for gender equality and act on that vision. They advocate for women in STEMM, supporting them as they enter or grow in their STEMM and diversity careers and promote them in their workplace or in the community.

1. Briefly describe why you believe the nominee should be recognized as the WiSTEMM Champion.
2. Describe the nominee in 3 words.
3. How do they promote gender equity in leadership roles in their company?
4. How are they a Champion for Women in STEMM, supporting women entering or growing their STEMM careers and celebrating achievements of women in STEMM?