

Dear STEM Families,

Citing the American Institute of Research, “Teaching is a complex and demanding job under the best of circumstances. Even when teachers are equipped with best-practice teaching strategies and supportive leadership, the wide range of student needs and structural inequities pose consistent challenges.”

We heard it, we saw it, we lived it; the immense challenges our teachers have faced during this unprecedented time of the pandemic. From the adaptation to new technology and tools to the dining room table office to connect with their students, we saw our teachers’ level of flexibility and devotion to our students’ success. Now they are putting their personal safety and the safety of their families at risk by returning to the physical classrooms for face-to-face teaching. So let us celebrate their dedication and efforts to our children’s education.

With this in mind, The STEM Early College @NC A&T PTSA is launching a donation campaign. Please go to our **STEM PTSA [website](#)** to donate and show your support. While you are there, join the PTSA by buying a membership. The funds collected will go to enhance PPE protection for our teachers and students, as well as for teacher appreciation gifts and seniors gifts for the graduating class of 2021.

We appreciate your consideration and look forward to launching additional PTSA events as soon as it is safe to do so.

Sincerely,

Your STEM PTSA board

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