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Youth Technology Network Supports the Boys & Girls Club of the Northern Neck through Virginia Department of Education Grant

Stafford, Virginia – Youth Technology Network (YTN), a Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) education organization, and the Boys & Girls Club of the Northern Neck (BGCNN) are partnering to bring students in grades K-10 from Richmond, Lancaster, and Northumberland counties a variety of unique STEM programs funded by a Nita M. Lowey 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC) grant from the Virginia Department of Education. The 21st CCLC funds, awarded on a competitive basis, support opportunities for enrichment during non-school hours for students, helping them to meet or exceed state and local standards in core academic subjects.

This summer, a STEM-based YTN and BGCNN program funded by this grant will focus on the study of habitats ranging from the rivers of the Northern Neck to the grasslands of Australia, as well as field trips providing hands-on learning opportunities. The program runs from June 5 to July 28, 2023.

Bobby Blackwell, President of YTN, looks forward to working with students this summer, adding that "YTN is excited to be the Boys & Girls Club of the Northern Neck's exclusive STEM activity provider. We look forward to providing fun and impactful STEM activities to empower students to 'Think, Grow, and Achieve' the intended objectives established by the 21st CCLC grant."

"We are thrilled to continue our partnership with YTN. Bobby and his team have been bringing exciting STEM education to the Club since last summer and the Club members and staff love it. This is a wonderful example of partnering with subject matter experts to provide high-quality programs to our members." Said Jill Sears, Development Director for BGCNN.

About YTN

Established in 2016, YTN is a STEM education organization based in Stafford, Virginia, dedicated to teaching STEM concepts to students and nurturing a genuine passion for science, technology, engineering, and math. YTN is driven by the need to cultivate a highly skilled and technically savvy workforce that the United States requires to drive innovation and solve complex problems, helping to ensure the long-term prosperity and well-being of our nation. Committed to its mission to inspire students to "Think, Grow, and Achieve," YTN has successfully collaborated with numerous clients and organizations, reaching thousands of young students across the Washington, D.C. Metro and Northern Neck regions. By instilling an interest in these subjects at an early age, YTN aims to empower the next generation with the skills, knowledge, and confidence they need to succeed in a rapidly evolving world. Learn more at <http://www.youthtechnologynetwork.com/>.