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Her Excellency the Right Honourable Julie Payette, Governor General of Canada, to serve as Viceregal Patron to STEM Camp Foundation

STEM Camp Foundation is pleased and honoured that Her Excellency the Right Honourable Julie Payette, Governor General of Canada, has agreed to serve as our viceregal patron.

Before becoming **Governor General, Julie Payette** was an astronaut, engineer, scientific broadcaster and corporate director.

From 1992 to 2013, Ms. Payette worked as an astronaut and flew two missions in space. She also served many years as CAPCOM (Capsule Communicator) at NASA's Mission Control Center in Houston, Texas, and was Chief Astronaut for the Canadian Space Agency.

She is well respected for her work in developing policies to promote science and technology. From 2011 to 2013, she worked as a scholar at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars in Washington, D.C., and was appointed scientific authority for Quebec in the United States. Between July 2013 and October 2016, she served as Chief Operating Officer of the Montréal Science Centre.

Ms. Payette is active in multiple facets of the community. She has produced several scientific outreach short programs on Radio-Canada and is a member of McGill University's Faculty of Engineering Advisory Board. She has served on the boards of the Montréal Science Centre Foundation, Robotique FIRST Québec, Drug Free Kids Canada, and the Montreal Bach Festival. She has long served on the board of Own The Podium, a granting organization dedicated to high performance sport in Canada, and was recently appointed to the International Olympic Committee Women in Sport Commission.



About STEM Camp Foundation

STEM Camp Foundation (SCF) was registered federally as a not-for-profit organization in September 2018. SCF is managed by a volunteer Board of Directors, chaired by Kevin Cougler, CEO and Founder of STEM Camp.

Mission Statement – “STEM Camp Foundation promotes and stimulates education in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) through financial assistance to teachers and students.”

Vision Statement – “STEM Camp Foundation’s vision is to broaden awareness and importance of future career opportunities in STEM for students of all ages.”

What Do We Do?

STEM Camp Foundation provides STEM-based project grants and bursaries to eligible elementary and secondary teachers and post secondary institutions across Canada. Intakes are twice each calendar year. Sample projects that we support may include Women in STEM awards, STEM Clubs, Robotic Clubs, STEM contests, and creative STEM project ideas.



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