



NGCP Kick-Off Conferences 2012

NGCP Kick-Off Conferences serve as the official project launch of each Collaborative. Kick-Off Conferences bring together girl-serving organizations, professional organizations, businesses, higher education, K-12 teachers, and after-school programs. This is the first official opportunity for Collaboratives to introduce potential collaborators, promote the advantages of collaboration, and provide exemplary practices for serving girls in STEM. These are full day events and always introduce the NGCP model, project components, and encourage attendees to register in the NGCP Program Directory.

Anticipated Outcomes

- Girl-serving STEM organizations in the region become engaged in the activities of the Collaborative
- Programs register in the Program Directory
- Contact information for e-newsletter is gathered and impact numbers increase
- Additional event sponsors and collaborators are identified
- Additional regional resources are identified that can benefit girl-serving STEM programs

The following Kick-Off Conferences were held in 2012:

Collaborative	Date & Location	# of Attendees
Garden State Girls STEM Collaborative Project	April 18, 2012 Monroe Township, NJ	115
Montana Girls STEM Collaborative	August 8, 2012 Missoula, MT	70
Arizona STEM Collaborative Project for Girls	September 28, 2012 Oracle, AZ	71
Louisiana STEM Girls Collaborative Project	October 27, 2012 Baton Rouge, LA	41
California Girls in STEM (CalGirls) Collaborative Project	November 1, 2012 Berkeley, CA	95
Missouri Girls Collaborative STEM Initiative	November 3, 2012 St. Louis, MO	75
New Mexico Girls Collaborative in C-STEM	November 8-9, 2012 Las Cruces, NM	173
Colorado Collaborative for Girls in STEM	November 28, 2012 Denver, CO	138

“I made several more connections for both my statewide and my local programs. I have a few grant opportunities coming up and now I have more partners to include.” LA attendee

“This was a great workshop. The schedule was arranged so that there was ample time for sessions so it didn't feel rushed or overwhelming. The combination of lectures and interactive networking was great. I came not knowing what to expect or how I would fit in, or how I can help in the mission of NGCP. I will be thinking of how our department can have more involvement.” AZ attendee