# An interdisciplinary, innovative program for girls

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World Science Festival

National Girls Collaborative Project
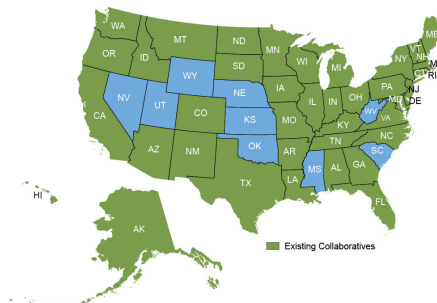
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# Meeting Agenda

- **Why Brite?**
- **Partners**
- **Curriculum and Speakers**
- **Evaluation**
- **Questions & Answers**

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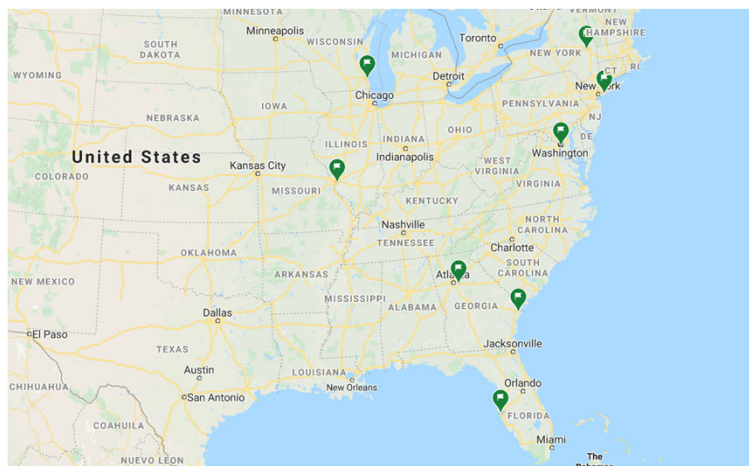
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# The National Girls Collaborative Project

The National Girls Collaborative Project **brings together organizations** committed to informing and encouraging girls to pursue careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM).



Existing Collaboratives

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# Geographically Diverse Participation



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# Why Brite?

- Explore unique, interdisciplinary topics
- Keynote speakers from cutting-edge fields
- Behind-the-scenes tours
- Interactive, collaboration with peers

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# Key Program Goals

- Brite is an opportunity for girls to foster:
  - ○ STEM identity: belief in self, image, and ability
  - ○ STEM agency: a foundation for decision making about STEM

- To engage in collaborative learning and sharing, for relationship building with a community of girl learners

- A unique, interdisciplinary space to spark girls' curiosity and creativity

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# Brite Weekly Structure

**MONDAY**: Introduce the theme, introduce the Friday BriteFest host, engage in activities, prepare for the next day's speaker.

**TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY**: Engage with the theme and hook question, live Q&A with the speaker, do an activity, prepare for the next speaker.

**FRIDAY**: BriteFest: showcase learning, engage in a conversation with the host, share future interests and ideas; weekly wrap-up.

EVERYDAY: Brite@Home: tasks girls are expected to complete; and
Additional Resources: opportunities to explore and learn more

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# Some of our speakers include:



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# Measuring Change

- Self-esteem and belief in self, image, and ability

- Possibility and likelihood of continued participation in STEM

- Agency as related to decision making about STEM

- Participation and engagement

- New perspectives and interests

- Support networks

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# Questions & Answers

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