The Village School Hosts the Second Annual Texas STEAM Summit

HOUSTON (January 12, 2018) – STEM jobs have grown exponentially faster than non-STEM jobs over the past decade and will continue to do so for the next 10 years.* Yet, in 2018, it’s projected that 2.4 million STEM jobs will go unfilled.** To create more interest in STEM/STEAM subjects among kids, The Village School is hosting the 2nd Annual Texas STEAM Summit, an event that supports the cultivation of science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics in K-12 education in Texas and beyond.

Hosted by The Village School and Nord Anglia Education in collaboration with the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), the Summit is designed to help teachers better understand and incorporate STEAM learning into their curriculum so students are prepared for these innovations of the future. This year, the event’s theme is “What’s Your Reality” and attendees will investigate virtual realities, learn about self-driving cars, discover the science behind artificial intelligence, and more.

“At Village, we recognize the most successful STEAM programs are led by teachers and administrators who embrace new teaching and learning approaches. That’s why we’re investing in Houston and Texas teachers’ continuing education,” said Gabriella Rowe, Head of School at The Village School. “We also recognize that school isn’t the only place where learning happens. We welcome parents and employers to the Summit as well, so they can understand how STEAM-based activities and real-world experience in related fields are teaching students important lessons they’ll need later in life.”

At the two-day event, which is open to both private and public school teachers, attendees will hear from speakers on topics that include:

- STEAM Learning Through Audio Recording, presented by Andrew Karnavas
- Future City of Houston Models, presented by Village students
- Schooling a Gaming Generation, taught by Village teacher Benjamin Hinshaw
- Music Therapy and Medicine, taught by Houston Methodist and Julliard

“The leaps in innovation coming in the future will not be solely technical, they will have to holistically meld together engineering and the social. It will be about mathematics and psychology, chemistry and music,” said Anthony Vanky, Ph.D., Lecturer in Urban Design and Planning at MIT. “I think the conversation The Village School is shaping is vital in bringing together human considerations, creative endeavors and technological aptitude in preparing students to be leaders and drivers of innovation.”

Attendees can register for the 2018 Texas STEAM Summit here.

Sources:
** https://ssec.si.edu/stem-imperative
About The Village School
The Village School, founded in 1966, has a tradition of rigorous and highly personalized learning paired with hands-on innovative methods of teaching. Located in the energy corridor of Houston, Village offers an American educational experience to its diverse and international student body who represent six continents and more than 60 countries. The Village School, known for its excellence in math and science, collaborates with The Juilliard School of Music and The Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) to enhance its widely-recognized STEAM curriculum. The Village School is a proud member of the Nord Anglia Education’s network of schools.

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