



## GEORGIA CHIEF SCIENCE OFFICERS STEM LEADERSHIP COACHES

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**Opportunity:** Seeking STEM professionals to coach/mentor middle/high school student Chief Science Officers (CSOs). Mentors will guide students to develop and apply leadership skills to implement an Action Plan for enriching the STEM community at their school. Eligible coaches are STEM professionals from industry and academia with a passion for youth advocacy.

**Program Overview:** The Georgia Chief Science Officers (CSO) initiative is cultivating a cadre of diverse student leaders in middle and high schools across the state, enhancing their leadership, communication, and advocacy skills to meet the growing demand for these skills in STEM careers. The CSO program empowers students with a voice in STEM programming at their schools and in their communities. CSOs meet with legislators, school board members, and policymakers to lend their voices to conversations about STEM education and workforce development in our state. CSOs attend an annual Summer Institute where they learn leadership, teamwork, networking and communication skills, and create a campus Action Plan to enrich the STEM community at their school. In order to support students' success, we need STEM professionals to help students to better learn and apply these skills in the real world and become more effective CSOs. By engaging with STEM professionals, CSOs can better serve their peers and learn more about local STEM career opportunities.

**WAYS TO ENGAGE** - choose from a variety of opportunities that best fit your availability:

**One-off Meetings** - 2-4 hours (or more!) during one-day workshops in Jul, Oct, Feb, May

- Co-facilitate sessions and work with a small group of CSOs to accomplish objectives
- Establish connections with CSO for possible year-long mentorship

**Year-Long CSO Mentorship** - 1-3 hours/month during school year

- Host an introductory videoconference with all CSOs to share info about your career
- Coach 2 CSOs from a given school in monthly virtual or face-to-face meetings
- Advise students to refine and implement their Actions Plans
- Invite CSOs to participate in leadership/networking opportunities in your field
- Obtain a fingerprint clearance card as required from school/district

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*Learn more about the program at [ScienceATL.org/cso](https://www.scienceatl.org/cso)*

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