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Change the Equation Endorsement for STEMworks Programs

Change the Equation, a nonprofit, non-partisan partnership of CEOs that works at the intersection of business and education to ensure that all American students are STEM literate recognizes Reasoning Mind as one of the Nation's most effective STEM learning programs. We have included Reasoning Mind in STEMworks, a database of programs that meet high standards for quality and impact.

Every program in STEMworks has met Change the Equation's rigorous Design Principles for Effective STEM Philanthropy. Created in conjunction with leaders in corporate social responsibility, these Principles embody the most current research and expertise on what works in STEM learning. The Principles set a high bar by requiring programs to demonstrate success in areas such as the capacity to meet a critical need, sustain their work, replicate themselves in new places, forge effective partnerships, and demonstrate their impact through rigorous evaluation. In addition, programs in STEMworks must offer challenging STEM content, incorporate hands-on STEM practices, inspire interest in STEM, and address the needs of youth such as females and minorities, who are less likely to pursue STEM fields.

A team of independent experts from WestEd, a nonprofit research and evaluation firm, carefully reviewed and selected STEMworks programs from a broad pool of applicants. Using a detailed evaluation rubric, reviewers chose only those programs that provided concrete evidence demonstrating how they met the Design Principles.

We are confident that supporters of Reasoning Mind will receive a strong return on their investment in STEM learning.

Please direct any questions about STEMworks or Change the Equation to Claus von Zastrow, Change the Equation COO and Director of Research, at 202.626.5734 or cvonzastrow@changetheequation.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Linda P. Rosen". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "L".

Linda P. Rosen, Ph.D.
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