

FY2023 CALL FOR STATEMENTS OF WORK FOR NSTI PROGRAM

Through a competitive application process, the MDOT State Highway Administration is seeking Host Sites (accredited colleges and universities) for the 2023 National Summer Transportation Institute (NSTI) Program.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE/FOCUS

Congress authorized the NSTI program in 23 U.S.C. 140(b). The program should focus on improving Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics (STEM) skills among attending students.

The purpose of the NSTI program is to create awareness and stimulate interest in transportation career opportunities among middle and high school students. The goal is to help each student realize the many career opportunities in today's transportation industry, participate in transportation related STEM-based academic activities and to encourage students to pursue transportation-related course work at the college or university level.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Host sites are required to commit significant program time to classroom participation. The length of the program is typically 2-4 consecutive weeks. Host Sites may be student day programs or residential programs in which room and board are provided by the Host Sites to the students.

The proposed program from the host site must:

1. Improve STEM (Science Technology Engineering and Math) skills.
2. Provide awareness about transportation-related careers to middle school and high school students.
3. Encourage students to consider transportation related fields of study in their higher education pursuits.
4. Commit significant program time to classroom instruction.
5. Submit invoices within 30 days of end of program.

The Federal Highway Administration's Office of Civil Rights and Division offices manages the NSTI and oversees the work of State DOT's that are responsible for providing technical assistance, guidance, training and support to participating institutions host sites.

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