The Bismarck Larks have teamed up with MDU Resources and Gateway to Science to bring STEM education (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) to the baseball field. Together, we understand the importance of equipping youth with the knowledge and skills to solve tough problems, gather and evaluate evidence and comprehend information.

Every summer the Larks make it their mission to recognize six all-star students who exhibit hard work, dedication, and a commitment to using STEM to serve their school and community. Students are nominated by their teacher for their love of learning. The winners are then carefully selected by MDU Resources and Gateway to Science.

Students in grades 1 - 12 in all North Dakota Schools are eligible. Nominations from educators will be accepted from March 23 through April 10, with the STEM All-Stars being announced April 17. The first 50 students nominated will receive (2) FREE tickets to STEM Education Night at the June 18th Larks game. Each nominating teacher will be entered in a drawing to receive a $1,000 STEM grant courtesy of MDU Resources Group for STEM supplies and the opportunity to showcase their STEM program during the STEM Expo on June 18th at the Bismarck Larks game.

For more details and the nomination form, visit gatewaytoscience.org/stem-allstar.
STEM at Home
Daily activities and experiments to do at home

You may not be able to visit Gateway to Science right now, but we can provide some hands-on activities to do at home!

We know there are a more websites than we can count filled with activities, videos, and more for families to access. To make it simpler for you, we've selected topics to cover and activities to do each day, Monday through Saturday. Each day, we add an entry to our STEM at Home page. While the activities are for all ages, Saturday activities will be planned specifically for preschoolers. We hope families will enjoy exploring STEM concepts and learning together while practicing social distancing.

Every Wednesday, we'll feature the STEM Showcase. What is the STEM Showcase? It is an opportunity for YOU to showcase STEM activities you've been doing at home. Share your photos and videos on the Gateway to Science Facebook page!

We are also including a few of our favorite resources for you if you are interested in finding other activities for your family. We just added new resource links today. And our activities from past weeks can be found in the STEM at Home Archive.

Thank you for your patience during this evolving situation. Follow Gateway to Science on Facebook and Twitter for announcements. We look forward to welcoming you back to Gateway to Science!

Temporarily closed to public
Following safety recommendations

Due to continuing safety concerns around COVID-19 (coronavirus) Gateway to Science remains closed to the public.

As recommended by Governor Burgum, Bismarck Parks & Recreation District (BPRD) has closed all of its facilities through Monday, April 20, at this time. Gateway to Science is located within a BPRD building and is included
TEACHERS: Nominate your students for the 2020 STEM All-Star Award!

in those closures. We will continue to communicate with BPRD to monitor this ever-evolving situation and will make additional announcements as updates are available. We are following the protocol recommended by Governor Burgum and the North Dakota Department of Health. The safety of our visitors, members, staff, and volunteers is our top priority. As a science institution dedicated to inspiring learning, we will continue to make decisions based on the latest information and recommendations of trusted public health authorities.

Closing our hands-on exhibit gallery and suspending all programs means a loss of income from admissions and program fees. Please consider making a donation or purchasing a membership to help sustain our operations during this difficult time.

Thank you for your patience during this evolving situation. If you have questions or need to reschedule your visit, please contact us.

To stay informed on our latest updates as information becomes available, follow us on Facebook and Twitter, or visit gatewaytoscience.org.

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