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**TEACH FOR AMERICA CO-CHAIRS 2013 STEM SOLUTIONS SUMMIT TO ADVANCE
STEM EDUCATION**

*The Organization Partners with U.S. News for the June 17-19 Conference in Austin,
Texas Discussing the Big Ideas in STEM Education, Policy, and Workforce Development*

NEW YORK CITY, June 17, 2013—Teach For America today announced its partnership to co-chair U.S. News’ 2013 STEM Solutions Summit. The Summit – themed “Teach. Inspire. Hire.” – is expected to bring together over 2,000 education leaders in school and district level leadership, policymaking, nonprofits, and the private sector to advance the most critical issues facing our country’s Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math fields – collectively known as STEM. It will take place June 17-19 in Austin, Texas.

The Summit features nine unique conference tracks focused on specific outcomes that have an impact on improving STEM education and promoting the future of the STEM workforce. Such tracks include “K-12 STEM Education: The Primary Focus,” “Education Standards: Raising the Bar,” and “Underrepresented Population: An Untapped Resource.”

“Teach For America is proud to participate in the STEM Solutions Summit for the second consecutive year,” said Melissa Moritz, managing director for Teach For America’s STEM Initiative. “It is imperative that we work together to give all kids – especially the over 16 million growing up in poverty in the US – an excellent STEM education. STEM Solutions brings leaders from all sectors together to help give students the STEM foundation they need for a future of choices and opportunities, which includes the more than eight million available STEM jobs projected by 2018.”

Teach For America recruits, trains, and supports outstanding individuals of all backgrounds who commit to teach for two years in underserved schools and go on to become lifelong leaders in pursuit of educational equity. In 2006 the organization – in partnership with The Amgen Foundation – launched its STEM Initiative focused on bringing excellent STEM teachers into high-needs classrooms. In the 2012-2013 school year, Teach For America had 10,000 corps members teaching in 46 regions across the country, including 3,500 STEM teachers.

“We are so proud to have the support of powerful organizations in STEM, offering invaluable insight, resources and commitment. We look forward to their many contributions and involvement at the second U.S. News STEM Solutions in Austin,” says Brian Kelly, managing editor of U.S. News & World Report.

To learn more about how you can help shape our nation’s future by participating in STEM Solutions 2013, visit www.USNewsSTEMSolutions.com.

About Teach For America:

Teach For America works in partnership with communities to expand educational opportunity for children facing the challenges of poverty. Founded in 1990, Teach For America recruits and develops a diverse corps of outstanding individuals of all academic

disciplines to commit two years to teach in high-need schools and become lifelong leaders in the movement to end educational inequity. Today more than 10,000 corps members are teaching in 46 urban and rural regions across the country, while nearly 28,000 alumni are working across sectors to ensure that all children have access to an excellent education. For more information, visit www.teachforamerica.org and follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

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