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4th Annual Let's Grow STEAM^X Youth College and Careers Expo Keeps Growing

Over 4000 students from the greater Columbus region expected to attend

COLUMBUS, GA., April 23, 2019 – Let's Grow STEAM^X (LGS^X) Youth College and Careers Expo (YCCE) returns for its fourth year on Thursday, October 10, 2019 at the Columbus Georgia Convention and Trade Center from 8:30 am to 3:00 pm.

The YCCE focuses on creating life-changing experiences through increased awareness of STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, and math). The Expo also encourages students to become more involved in STEAM-related activities and to begin thinking about pathways that lead to STEAM-related degrees and careers. This year's Expo theme SCI-TECH: Creating a Successful Future will highlight the skills associated with careers in science and technology fields.

YCCE features vendors from companies, organizations, colleges, and universities from the local area and beyond. The attendees can also participate in interactive workshops, hands-on activities, mock interviews, and much more.

This year Let's Grow STEAM^X is excited to host the Columbus College Probe Fair (Probe) during the 2019 YCCE. Probe is an annual program of college fairs and guidance counselors' workshops that are held throughout the state of Georgia. The program is managed by the Georgia Education Articulation Committee (GEAC), whose sole mission is to disseminate information and stimulate interest in post-secondary education for students in Georgia. Approximately 80-100 colleges will be on site to speak with regional high school students during YCCE. Let's Grow STEAM^X Founder and CEO, Mrs. Robbie Branscomb, says, "We strive to honor our commitment to provide relevant exposure opportunities which support youth by encouraging them to explore and connect sooner rather than later to possible training and career options which align with their innate gifts and talents. We are pleased to offer an appropriate and important event such as YCCE and thrilled to partner with Probe to provide an expanded experience for our students."

City Manager Isaiah Hugley will serve as the Ambassador of the Expo for the third year and says, "The College and Career Expo is a great opportunity to inspire youth to recognize how their gifts, talents, and education can be translated into much-needed skills they can use to not only make a living, but also help move our community forward productively."

Over 80 area businesses joined Let's Grow STEAM^X for the 2018 YCCE. Area businesses who sponsored and/or exhibited during the 2018 LGS^X Expo include TSYS, Georgia Power, Liberty Utilities, Fountain City Classic, Aflac, Columbus Consolidated Government, Columbus Technical College, Columbus State University, Chattahoochee Valley Community College, Pratt & Whitney,

Hughston Foundation, Callaway Gardens, Verizon, Best Buy, FlyQuest, Ft. Benning Maneuver of Excellence, Valley Hospitality, and many others. LGS^x looks forward to welcoming these sponsors and many more for the 2019 Expo.

For more information about how your company or organization may become involved as an exhibitor in the 4th Annual Let's Grow STEAM^x Youth College and Careers Expo or other activities and sponsored events, please contact Robbie Branscomb, Let's Grow STEAM^x CEO, at (800)332-7147 or info@letsgrowsteam.org. To schedule on-air appearances or interviews, contact Communications Director Franki Foster at (706)536-6822. You may also visit our website at www.letsgrowsteam.org and like our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/letsgrowsteam.