

STEM+C²

STEM plus Computer Science X Creativity

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Spotlight:

Westbrook Elementary Loves STEM!

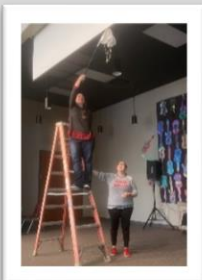
Superintendent of Harmony Grove School District:

Heath Bennett

Principal: **Meghann Donaldson**

GT Facilitator: **Brandon Bagwell**

STEM+C² Teachers: **Pam Balding** and **Brooke Lewis**



Principal Meghann Donaldson co-teaches with her second-grade team.

Students are learning about the engineering design process, the properties of materials, and parachutes.



AGATE (Arkansans for Gifted and Talented Education) annual conference is coming to Hot Springs: February 22 and 23 and STEM+C² researchers will “eclipse all others” during their sessions!

Feb 22 at 10:50 a.m. *What can STEM+C² Do for You?;* Presenters: **Ann Robinson, Romona Cheneval, Meghann Donaldson, Jill Wright,** and **Rhonda Brown**

Feb 22 at 1:30 p.m. *Thinking, Tinkering, Borrowing, and Babbage;* Presenters: **Monica Meadows** and **Christine Deitz**

Feb 22 at 2:30 p.m. *Equity and Excellence in Identification;* Presenters: **Jill Adelson, April Blackburn,** and **Anna Stewart**

Everybody is getting in on the act!!!

Spotlight:

Building STEM skills at Malvern Elementary!

Superintendent of Malvern School District:

Janet Blair

Principal: **Meredith McCormack**

GT Facilitator: **Brigette Williams**

STEM+C² Teachers: **Hilary Hembree, Katie Sharp,** and **Pam Plummer**



Special Education teacher, Pam Plummer works closely with the second-grade team to help ensure that all students are successful.

...3, 2, 1, DROP!!!



Spotlight:

Thinking outside of the box at Bayou Meto Elementary!

Superintendent of Jacksonville North Pulaski School District: **Dr. Jeremy Owoh**

Principal: **Lindsey Jones**

GT Facilitator: **Molly Looney**

STEM+C² Teachers: **Morgan Hink, Michelle Ward, Lakesha Robinson,** and **Kaylee Wallace**



The second-grade team at Bayou Meto recruited their school custodian to help test their parachute designs.



You never know what the day will hold at JNPSD.

Read more about STEM+C²!

Research Corner

STEM+C² researchers will be sharing some of their most current research findings in the following papers:

- *Teacher Response to Professional Learning: A Mixed Methods Evaluation Study of a Javits Project* will be presented on April 12, at the American Education Research Association Conference, Philadelphia, PA.
- *Gifted Education Models and Biography: Developing and Validating an Assessment to Document Student Outcomes* will be presented on May 20, at the Wallace Research Symposium on Talent Development, Storrs, CT.