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STEMIE INVENTORS IN THE NEWS
STEMIE inventors recently have been featured in *The New Yorker, TIME for Kids, The Tonight Show with Jimmy Fallon, The STEVE Show, Little Things*, and USPTO’s *Inventors Eye*, as well in local TV, online, and print media. In addition to being exciting experiences for the students, their stories are beginning to help adults understand the value of K-12 invention education.

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LEMELSON FOUNDATION HOSTS INVENTION EDUCATION CONVENING
The Lemelson Foundation, the nation’s leading invention education foundation, hosted a K-12 Invention Education Convening at U.S. Patent and Trademark Office headquarters in Alexandria, VA, in November. The convening was attended by STEMIE representatives, as well as more than 60 leaders in invention education. Speakers included USPTO Commissioner Drew Hirschfield and Kumar Garg, former Senior Adviser in The White House Office of Science and Technology Policy.

STEMIE AFFILIATE’S STUDENTS
MAKE FORBES 30 UNDER 30

The Connecticut Invention Convention (CIC), one of the founding members of The STEMIE Coalition, has great news to celebrate! It now can boast that two of its CIC student inventors have earned the honor of being on the Forbes 30 Under 30 list!

In 2017, CIC serial inventor Gabriel Mesa was named a 30 Under 30 in Energy for his work in pizeoelectrics. In 2018, CIC alum Ethan Novek has been named a 30 Under 30 in Energy for his work in CO2 (he has seven patents). Learn more about Gabe and Ethan here.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING - IT'S EVERYWHERE!

STEMIE’s professional development training calendar this fall has been full to bursting, with sessions all across the United States, as well as live sessions in Mexico and online sessions in Pakistan.

We have received overwhelmingly positive feedback from teachers, remarking that the sessions are "engaging," "interactive," and, most importantly, that teachers "can't wait" to introduce their students to the Invention Convention program. Professional development sessions for the 2017-2018 school year conclude next month, so please contact us directly to schedule one in your district/area.

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JOIN STEMIE & SPARK!LAB AT SXSW EDU 2018!

The STEMIE Coalition and the Draper Spark!Lab at the Smithsonian Lemelson Center for the Study of Invention and Innovation have been selected to present at SXSW EDU’s Playground area for the entire length of this year’s conference. What a great opportunity to interact with other organizations in the education ecosystem to spread the word about the Importance of Invention Education!

To learn more about the Draper Spark!Lab and the Smithsonian Lemelson Center for the Study of Invention and Innovation, check out STEMIE’s "Spark!Lab Ignites Inventiveness" blog.

JANUARY 17 -- KID INVENTORS DAY:
HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED

Join us January 14-21 for a week-long celebration of student inventors, in honor of Kid Inventors Day (January 17). In early January, STEMIE's website will post a full page devoted to what's happening where for the week of January 14-21 and how you and your organization can get in on the fun!

STEMIE's Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn pages will be jumping with activity from our students, teachers, Affiliates, and partners all over the globe that week, so start following us now to make sure you don't miss out!

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