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MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN STEM

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Mrs. Stephanie Michelle Moore, Lead Technologist at Booz Allen Hamilton

Dr. James L. Moore III, EHE Distinguished Professor of Urban Education and Executive Director of the Todd Anthony Bell National Resource Center on the African American Male at the Ohio State University
Black Girls Code and Girls in Technology are just a few of the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) programs that Mrs. Stephanie Michelle Moore volunteers her time for to help foster young girls’ interest in STEM. She works at Booz Allen Hamilton, a leading management and technology consulting firm in Greater Washington, DC, where she supports software and engineering projects for clients in defense and intelligence.

Around her firm, Mrs. Moore is actively involved in mentoring circles and affinity forums. She has been recognized by her colleagues and clients with various team and performance awards for outstanding leadership and contributions. For example, in 2011, she was honored by her firm as a Women of Color in STEM Technology All-Star, a competitive award that recognizes the accomplishments of women in STEM, and, in the same year, her husband, Dr. James L. Moore III, was bestowed a proclamation from the Ohio House of Representatives.

An alumna of Norfolk State University, a historically Black college and university, Mrs. Moore received her bachelor’s degree in business, with an emphasis in management computer information. Not counting her three children and husband, the establishment of the Stephanie Michelle Moore STEM Scholarship is one of the proudest moments in her life. In 2012 the scholarship was established by her husband and children to commemorate a milestone birthday and honor her tireless volunteer efforts to encourage and expose African-American girls to STEM. Annually, the scholarship supports African-American women at NSU who are natives of South Carolina and who maintain a cumulative 3.0 grade point average or higher. In addition to receiving the scholarship support, Mrs. Moore personally establishes a mentoring relationship with the recipients and offers personal and professional advice upon graduation.

Internationally-recognized for his work with African-American males, Dr. Moore is the EHE Distinguished Professor of Urban Education and executive director of the Todd Anthony Bell National Resource Center on the African American Male at the Ohio State University. He is a highly sought after speaker, consultant, researcher, and evaluator and has an extensive publication record, including five books. Notably, he is the recipient of numerous awards and honors. In 2014 he was given a resolution from the Columbus City Council (Ohio), and in 2015 he was bestowed a key to the City of Spartanburg (South Carolina), in close proximity to his hometown of Lyman.

In addition to maintaining his responsibilities at the Ohio State University, he works as a rotating program director for the National Science Foundation’s Broadening Participation in Engineering within the Engineering Directorate in Arlington, Virginia. As a rotating program director, Dr. Moore solicits, reviews, and manages a comprehensive portfolio of engineering awards that focuses on diversifying the engineering workforce and broadening engineering participation among historically underrepresented groups. He also participates in ongoing intra- and inter-agency workgroups to maximize the National Science Foundation’s investments on broadening participation in STEM. In less than one year, he has contributed to several major agency-wide initiatives but is eager to see the national impact of these agency-wide efforts.

Dr. and Mrs. Moore are both committed to sharing their talents and resources with others. Giving back to the community is something that was instilled in them from a very young age. With them both being from neighboring, working-class communities in South Carolina, they know on a very personal level that a quality education can positively change one’s life trajectory.

South Carolina is very special to them; it is the place where their paths first crossed and their relationship evolved and set the groundwork for marriage in 2006. As a way of giving back, STEM has been one of the primary channels in merging their professional and personal endeavors.

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