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In 2000, several ARRL staff members and key volunteers recognized a tremendous and exciting opportunity. With the emphasis on education in Science, Math, Engineering, and Technology (STEM) increasing in schools across the country, Amateur Radio and Wireless Technology provided an ideal vehicle for teachers to teach and integrate technology-related lessons in their classrooms.

This was the beginning of the ARRL Education & Technology Program – an education outreach project for helping teachers use Amateur Radio and its applications in the classroom.

Today, the ARRL Education & Technology Program has become a flourishing and highly respected program that has brought Amateur Radio and Wireless Technology to thousands of young people in hundreds of schools across the country. How? By giving teachers the knowledge, skills, and materials they need to give hands-on STEM experiences to their students.

At the core of the Education & Technology Program is the Teachers Institute program – professional development courses for educators that provide instruction and resources for lessons using Amateur Radio and Wireless Technology. Teachers Institutes are taught by dedicated, trained ARRL instructors who spend countless hours preparing for and teaching this one-of-a-kind program.

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Requests come from teachers across the country hoping to participate in a Teachers Institute. At the end of the course, participants leave with newly gained knowledge and fresh ideas on how to incorporate Amateur Radio and Wireless Technology into their lesson plans. They also leave with detailed curriculum and additional resources such as manuals, as well as the continued support of ARRL educators, ensuring success in their classrooms.

This extraordinary program is made possible entirely through members’ contributions. I support this program because I know the joy that lights up a young person’s face when he or she is motivated by the desire to learn, understands a new idea, and accomplishes a difficult task. As a former educator, I also understand the challenges a teacher faces in getting his or her students excited about learning. And finally, I know the wonder of Amateur Radio and the new world it opens to operators. This program achieves it all.

Please join me in supporting the ARRL Education & Technology Fund, and let’s welcome a new generation to Amateur Radio!

Thank you and 73,

Kay Craigie, N3KN
President, ARRL

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