UNC, District 6 partner with CSU on teaching grant

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Colorado State University will administer a \$12.5 million grant to improve teaching of science and math in middle and high schools.

CSU's Natural Resource Ecology Laboratory will direct the project, which involves the University of Northern Colorado and Greeley-Evans School District 6 as well as nine other universities and K-12 school districts in Colorado and other states.

The program, funded by the National Science Foundation, could reach as many as 500,000 students nationwide, according to officials.

Preparing students for the workforce is the impetus behind the "STEM" program — science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

The Poudre School District in Fort Collins is also involved in the project.

"Workforce preparation in the STEM disciplines is an area where CSU is well-positioned to make an important impact on the educational pipeline of students heading to college," CSU interim president Tony Frank said in a statement. "CSU's focus on engineering, environmental sustainability research, and new energy research provides us the opportunity to offer leadership as we prepare for future workforce needs."

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