

**Chief Science Officer (CSO) Program:** Although simple in nature, the CSO strategy approaches school transformation at the socio-cultural level, as opposed to traditional interventions targeted at administration, educators and curriculum. In schools, STEM can be stereotyped as hard, boring and uncool.

CSOs will serve as the “STEM voice” for their student body, identifying opportunities for their school such as programs, speakers, workshops, field trips, science nights, and clubs and ensure such experiences reflect interests of their peers.



**Seeking: community leaders and professionals for student interactions and STEM educational opportunities.**

3 ways to volunteer:

- **JEDI Mentor** –partner with CSOs to help them navigate the adult bureaucracy and attain their voice in the community.
- **At Institute** – lead a session, or interface with CSOs while they rotate through their training sessions.
- **Host a regional cabinet meeting at your site** -provide a unique experience for CSOs and open your doors to see STEM in action!

Time commitment: it varies and will align to your schedule. Depends on the level of engagement; average is 2-3 hours a month during the school year.

Mentors will possess these skills: Friend - Teacher - Coach - Role Model - Motivator  
Patient - Good Listener - Fun Person!

Visit the [Mentor Handbook](#) to learn more.

**Register to volunteer:** <http://chiefscienceofficers.org/mentor-signup/>