

Mission

Cascade STEAM is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization based in Bellingham, WA dedicated to ***Building a collaborative, supportive, and civic-minded STEAM community for social good.***

STEAM is an acronym for the fields of **Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics**. STEAM education is a powerful framework to promote curiosity and creativity, encourage a shared learning experience, and build tools to solve important life challenges.

Values

We help identify needs in our community and collaborate with partners to meet those needs through STEAM principles.

In addition to our core focus of **STEAM education**, we value **Career Connected Learning** to provide students opportunity to gain real world experience, **Digital Literacy** to educate our community on important digital topics, and **Digital Equity** to ensure all people of all ages have access to important digital resources.

Collaborators

All of our collaborators value connecting with fellow community members, exploring personal and professional interests, participating in shared learning experiences, and supporting social impact issues. With these shared interests as our foundation, we facilitate collaboration for everyone:

- **Students** find mentors to guide them and gain real-world work experience.
- **Professionals** share their experience, find mentors to guide them, and also guide mentees.
- **Businesses** support current employees, meet new employees, and connect with partners and clients.
- **Education** supports existing students, outreach to new students, and connects with partners.
- **Nonprofit Organizations** resolve administrative, organizational, and outreach challenges to better focus on their mission of social impact.
- **Local Government** engages with an active community eager to contribute to civic society.

