

# \$10.8 million



**PAsmart**  
BETTER JOBS FOR STRONGER COMMUNITIES.



**pennsylvania**  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

**26**  
recipients

**7**

colleges/  
universities

**7**

school  
districts

**5**

intermediate  
units

**7**

libraries/  
organizations

## 2021 #PAsmart Advancing Grant projects include:



STEM and Computer Science after-school programs in robotics and artificial intelligence



Innovative STEM partnerships between schools and higher education partners to provide college credits and industry credentials in STEM and Computer Science



Support for diversity and inclusion on eSports teams in high-need areas



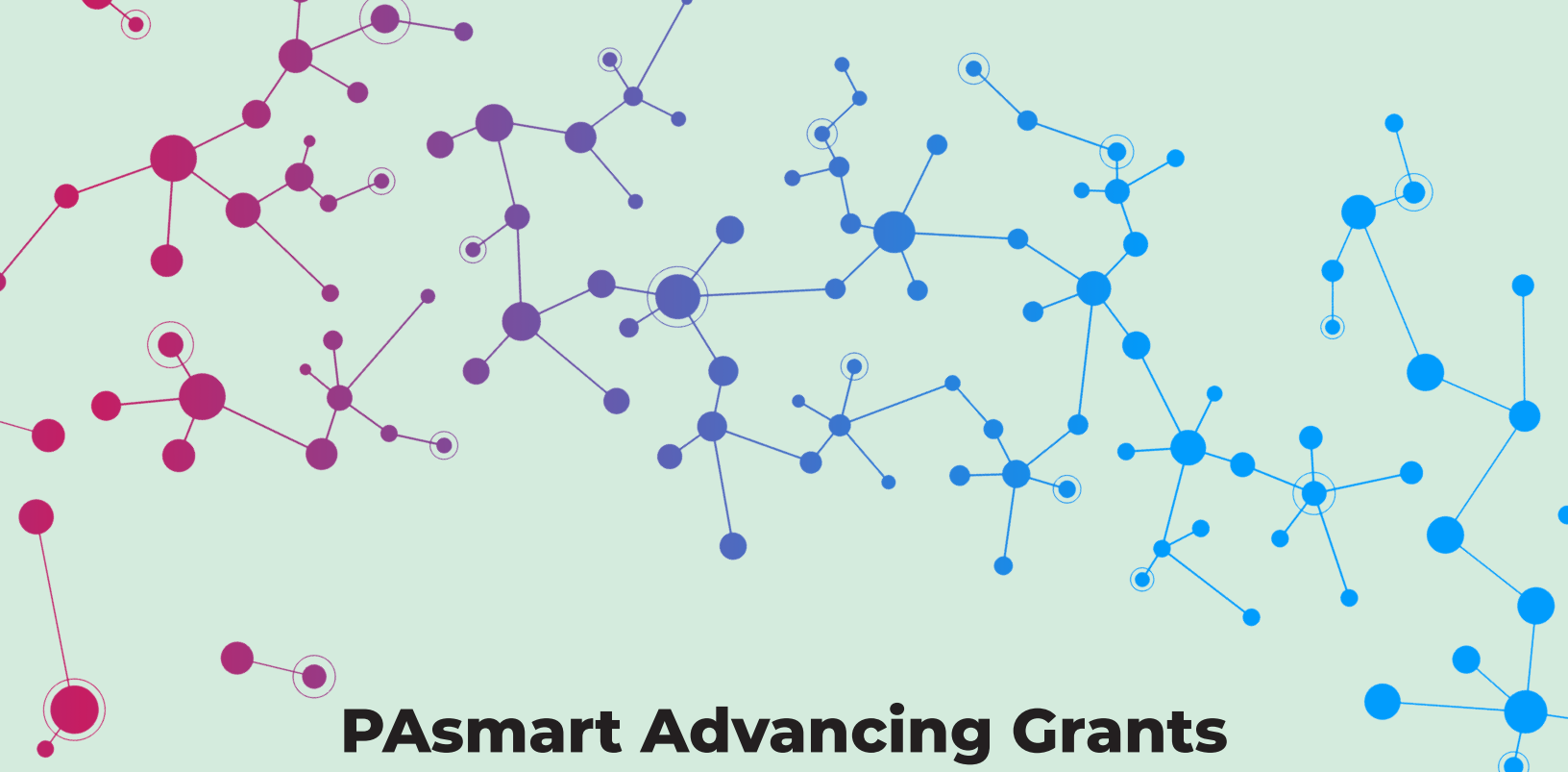
Creation of innovation hubs through collaborations with community colleges, city parks, and libraries to help underserved learners build STEM and Computer Science skills



Mentorships to expose underrepresented learners to STEM careers



Opportunities for rural, urban, and suburban students to gain hands-on experience in coding and robotics



# PAsmart Advancing Grants In the News April 2021

**Pittsburgh Post-Gazette:** State awards \$10.8M for STEM education in Pa. schools  
<https://www.post-gazette.com/news/education/2021/04/13/stem-grants-pennsylvania-computer-science-technology-engineering-math-pittsburgh-money-funding/stories/202104130166>

**The Tribune-Democrat:** Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8 awarded \$400K STEM grant  
[https://www.tribdem.com/news/appalachia-intermediate-unit-8-awarded-400k-stem-grant/article\\_07b4f490-9c76-11eb-a0a7-a7f155e51e1f.html](https://www.tribdem.com/news/appalachia-intermediate-unit-8-awarded-400k-stem-grant/article_07b4f490-9c76-11eb-a0a7-a7f155e51e1f.html)

**YourErie:** Erie Rise Leadership Academy receiving nearly \$238K part of PAsmart Initiative  
<https://www.yourerie.com/news/local-news/erie-rise-receiving-nearly-238k-part-of-pasmart-initiative/>

**MyChesCo:** \$10.8 Million to Expand STEM and Computer Science in Pennsylvania Schools  
<https://www.mychesco.com/a/education/10-8-million-to-expand-stem-and-computer-science-in-pennsylvania-schools/>

**Altoona Mirror:** Grants given to Spring Cove, IU8  
<https://www.altoonamirror.com/news/local-news/2021/04/grants-given-to-spring-cove-iu8/>

**Pittsburgh Business Times:** PA Department of Education grants help Pittsburgh organizations teach computer science  
<https://www.bizjournals.com/pittsburgh/news/2021/04/14/pde-grants-helps-teach-computer-science.html>

**Patch:** Bucks County Intermediate Unit To Expand Science Programs  
<https://patch.com/pennsylvania/doylestown/bucks-county-intermediate-unit-expand-science-programs>

**WTAJ:** Gov. Wolf rolls out \$10.8 million to 26 educational institutions to expand STEM education  
<https://www.wearecentralpa.com/news/local-news/gov-wolf-rolls-out-10-8-million-to-26-educational-institutions-to-expand-stem-education/>

**MyChesCo:** West Chester University Awarded \$499K to Expand STEM and Computer Science Programs  
<https://www.mychesco.com/a/education/colleges-universities/wcu/west-chester-university-awarded-499k-to-expand-stem-and-computer-science-programs/>

**BCTV:** State Lawmakers Announce \$499K Grant for Albright College  
<https://www.bctv.org/2021/04/15/state-lawmakers-announce-499k-grant-for-albright-college/>



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