

National Heritage Academies Public Charter School System to Provide the STEMscopes Digital STEM Curriculum in Schools Around the Country

STEMscopes' flexible implementation model gives schools autonomy to use the curriculum for traditional instruction, blended learning, and 1:1 programs, among others

HOUSTON — Nov. 16, 2017 — National Heritage Academies, a public charter school system of 84 schools across nine states, has selected [STEMscopes NGSS](#) as the science curriculum for its students in grades 6-8. Developed by Accelerate Learning, STEMscopes NGSS provides digital resources, supplemental print materials, and hands-on exploration kits that build student engagement and excitement for learning.

“We have schools in nine different states, which means nine different sets of standards. We need a tool that is well aligned to each state and easy for our teachers to use,” said Leslie Stiles, Manager, Curriculum and Instruction for Science and Social Studies. “The digital aspect of STEMscopes gives us the flexibility we need, and teachers have found it to be very user friendly. After just a brief training, they were comfortable with the program and are using it as a resource to support their instruction.”

Built from the ground up to meet state and Next Generation Science Standards, STEMscopes NGSS fosters student understanding through inquiry-based, hands-on scientific investigations, engineering challenges, content connection videos, claim-evidence-reasoning assessments, and more.

“Our goal is to ensure that our scholars have extensive opportunities to be critical thinkers who are prepared to meet the demands of high school, college, and careers,” said Stiles. “Because STEMscopes units are developed around the [5E model of instruction](#), teachers can create learning experiences that help students develop a deep understanding and appreciation of science.”

About National Heritage Academies

Established in 1995, National Heritage Academies is a public charter school management company that operates 84 charter schools in nine states, serving nearly 57,000 students in the 2017-18 school year.

About Accelerate Learning

Incubated at Rice University, Accelerate Learning has grown from a single product, STEMscopes, to a brand that now offers a variety of curriculum and professional development solutions that support early learning, Next Generation Science Standards, and state-aligned curriculum. STEMscopes can be used as a core science curriculum or as a supplementary or enrichment resource in traditional, blended, and 1:1 classroom environments.

For more information, visit <http://stemscopes.com> or call toll-free 800-531-0864.

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