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Dear Principals and Teachers,

I am writing to invite all high school students who reside in my district, (FL-22 Congressional District) to participate in the first annual Congressional Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) Academic Competition, "The House STEM App Challenge." This new competition is designed to engage student's creativity and encourage their participation in STEM education fields. This is a nationwide event that allows students from across the country to compete by creating and exhibiting their software application, or "app," for mobile, tablet, or computer devices on a platform of their choice.

Throughout the completion period, participating students may be provided opportunities to engage with various STEM educational partners located throughout the community to mentor and assist them with their app development.

Students who want to participate must do the following:

- Determine if they reside in the FL-22 Congressional District by entering their home address into either <https://www.pbcelections.org/precinctfinder.aspx> or <https://www.browardsoe.org/precinctfinder.aspx> and then selecting My Districts
- Submit their app's source code online by April 30, 2014 5PM EST deadline
- Provide a YouTube video demo explaining their app and what they learned through this competition process.

The submitted apps will be judged by an appointed panel of individuals within the academic, software and entrepreneurial fields. The winning student's app in each participating congressional district will be featured on the U.S. House of Representatives' website (www.House.gov), as well as on display in a U.S. Capitol exhibit.

Additional details on The House STEM App Challenge will be announced in the coming weeks and provided on my website at: frankel.house.gov

I hope that you will participate in this exciting event. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Stephanie Zachary in my District Office at (561) 998-9045.

Always,



Lois Frankel
Member of Congress
Florida's 22nd District