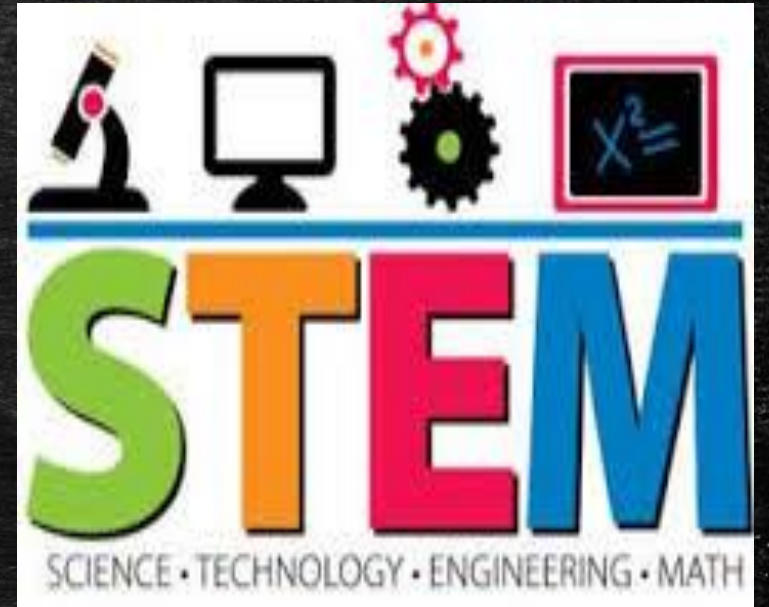


WB Area STEM Program

What is STEM?

- Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math
- Student centered learning
- Flipped classroom approach
- Group learning focused
- Project based learning
- Courses include: STEM History and STEM English





Is STEM for me?



- Do you want to be challenged by innovative lessons and projects?
- Are you willing to work hard - including time after school even beyond the school day?
- Do you like technology and are you willing to learn more about it?
- Are you self motivated?
- Do you work well with others in group learning settings?



Skills You Will Learn in STEM

- Critical Thinking Skills
- Oral Communication Skills
- Writing Skills
- Technology Skills
- How to work well with others
- How to meet deadlines
- How to participate in competitions and be successful



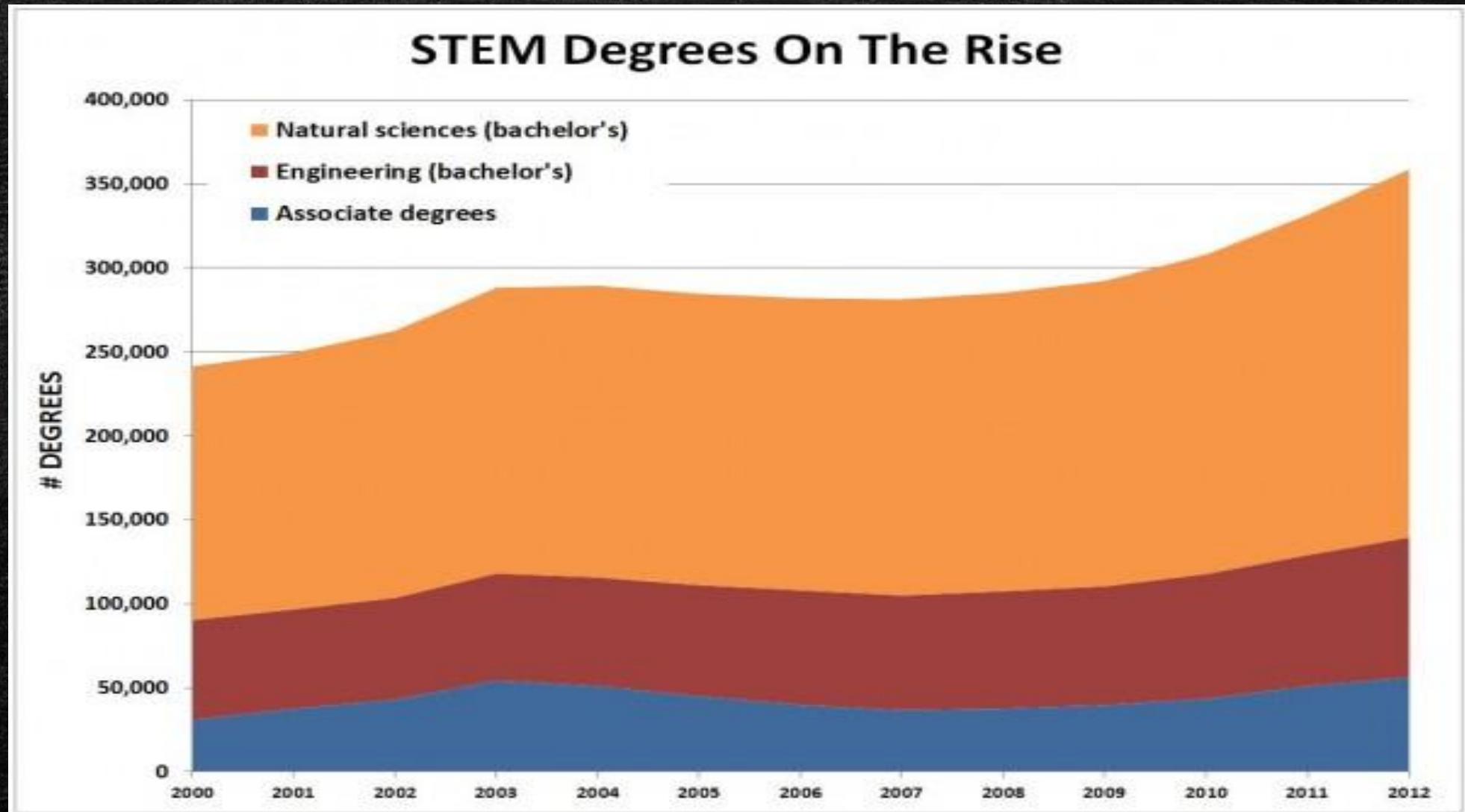


STEM's Future and You

- STEM is more than just technology and science...
- STEM focuses on skills that will help students in school, now, and in their future careers and college experiences
- You do not have to be interested in engineering to be in STEM
- STEM majors and jobs are the fastest growing, in the most demand, and the most available in the USA for young people

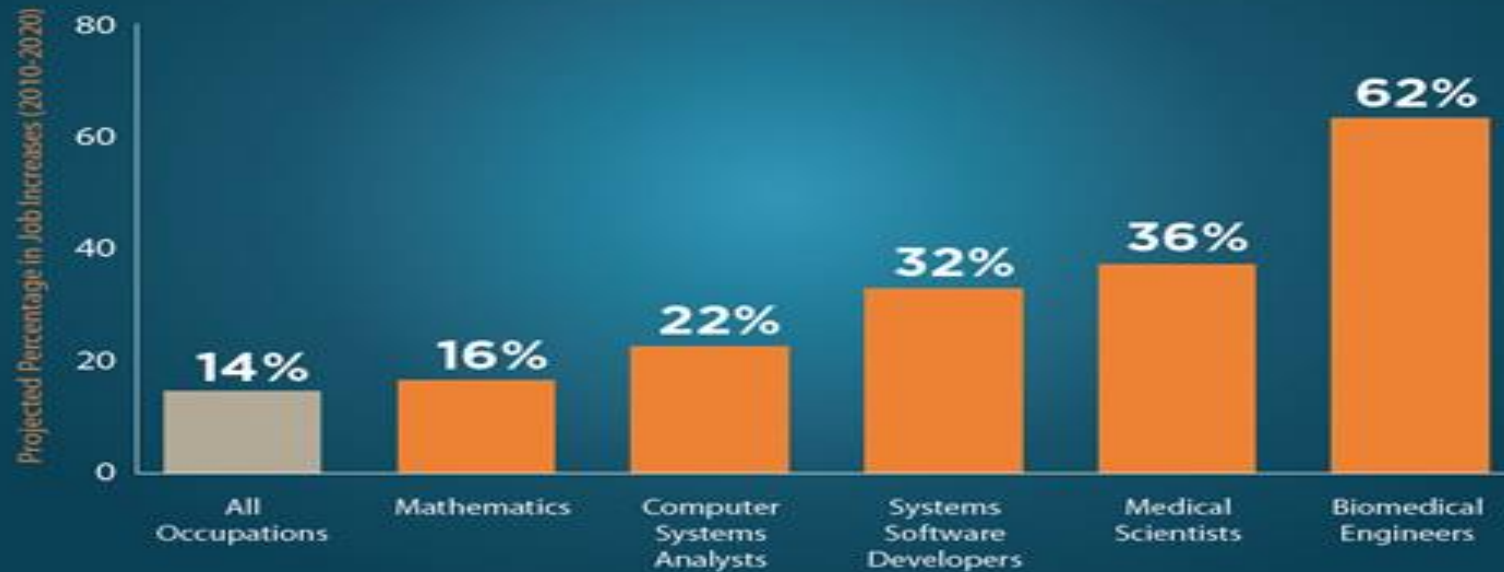


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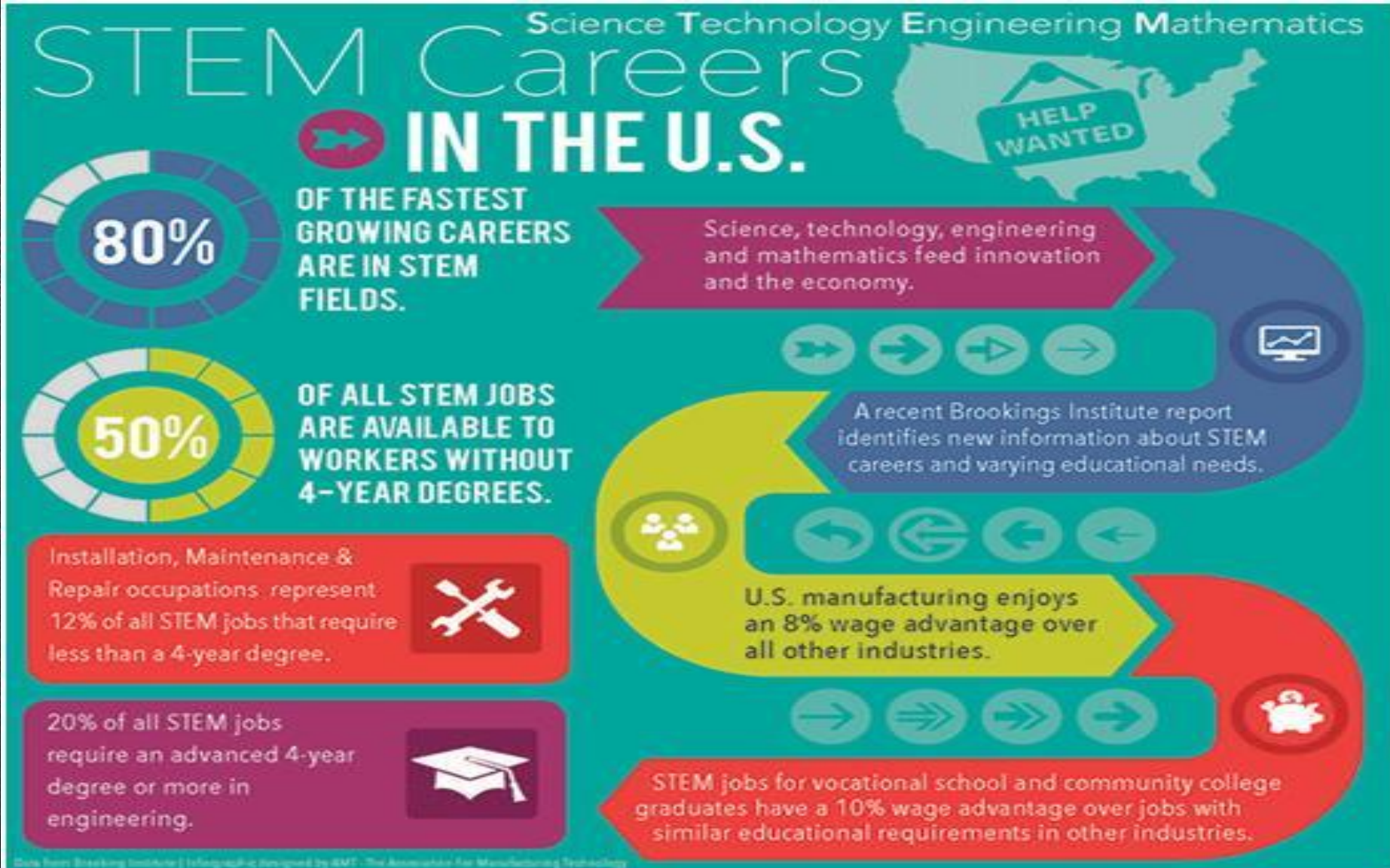


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PROJECTED PERCENTAGE INCREASES IN STEM JOBS: 2010-2020

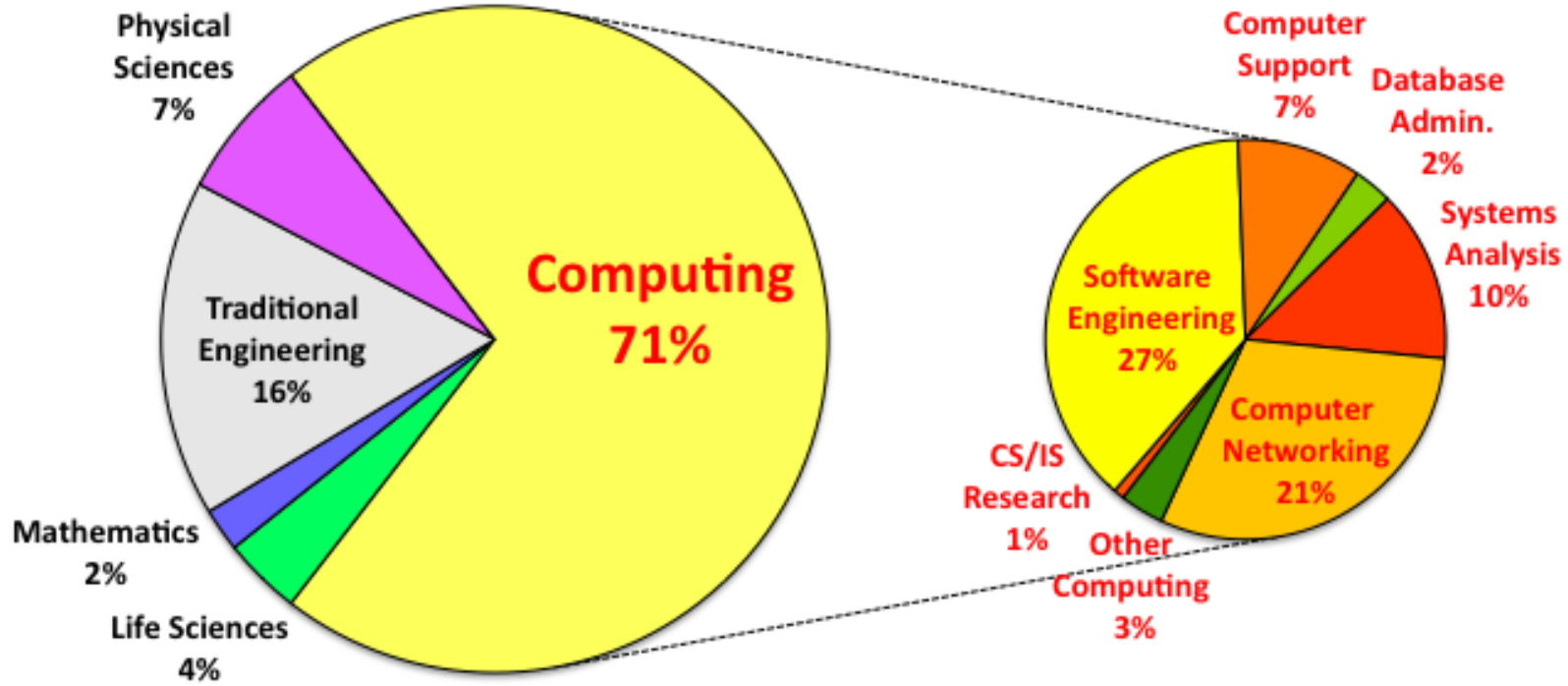


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Percentage Of New STEM Jobs By Area Through 2018



Data Source: US-BLS Employment Projections, 2008-2018 (http://www.bls.gov/emp/ep_table_102.pdf).

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- Wilkes-Barre ranks 66 out of top 100 metropolitan cities nationwide for STEM jobs <http://timesleader.com/news/506530/scrantonwilkes-barre-rank-66th-among-100-metro-areas-for-science-and-tech-jobs>
 - Wilkes University expanding engineering program <http://timesleader.com/news/507011/wilkes-eyeing-downtown-office-building-to-expand-engineering-programs>

WB Area STEM in the News

- STEM met with Governor Wolf
- STEM met with Bill Finnerty, CFO for Commonwealth of PA
- STEM finished 2nd in Regional STEM Competition (by 1 point) in 2015
 - <http://www.timesleader.com/news/local-news-news/152271016/>
- STEM finished 1st place in Regional STEM Competition in 2016 and is going to State Competition
- STEM runs school wide election in November
- STEM uses new technology, “Z-Space”
 - <http://www.timesleader.com/news/editorial-ouropinion/152717765/OUR-VIEW-W-B-students-show-future-of-learning>
 - http://www.timesleader.com/news/home_top-local-news-news/152685869/







Collaboration with PSU WB Campus

- WB Area STEM students will have the opportunity to take 2 college courses per year (one in fall semester and one in spring) after school at Meyers
- These courses will be college level courses in computer science, engineering, etc instructed by PSU WB faculty and students will receive college credit for the courses
- There is a tuition charge of \$393 (75% discount) that PSU WB will charge our students to take these courses

US History Team Teaching

- Our 2 history teachers in the program, team taught a lesson over several weeks about the War on Terror and its origins from the 1970s through today
- This lesson culminated in a trip to NYC to the 9/11 Memorial and Museum



STEM Pioneers/Trailblazers

- We are one of the first districts, locally, with a standalone STEM program within the confines of an existing building.
- Many local districts have come to meet with our staff to see how our program operates (WVW, Nanticoke, Wyoming Area).
- The future is here in WB Area, do you want to be a part of it?





