

TechStart Teacher STARTER GUIDE

Welcome to TechStart! Thank You for Your Partnership

Congratulations! You've joined a first-of-its-kind movement to advance the educational and career outcomes of Arkansas students. TechStart chose Arkansas because of its high statewide commitment to computer science education. We also chose you because of your tireless dedication to your students.

We hope TechStart can unlock many opportunities for you and your students. Your commitment is indispensable to the success of this movement. On behalf of all the students, administrators and the TechStart team – *thank you!*

You are Important!

- You are the gateway to TechStart awards, grants, events and scholarships for you and your students
- You are critical to the success of TechStart in your classroom
- You will select one TechStart Student Innovator, a student who will encourage, excite and assist you as well as other students along the way
- Your voice is important to help us continually shape and improve our program

How to Select Your TechStart Student Innovator?

To ensure the success of TechStart, please select a student who:

- is excited about new technologies and assisting you on your TechStart journey
- will be a leader to drive usage and adoption of virtual reality equipment in your classroom
- can encourage other people to try out virtual reality, start projects and learn new skills

Visit your state's homepage to learn more at the following link: techstart.fb.com/AR

What are the Deliverables and Expectations?

Please note the entire program will take 2–6 weeks depending on your schedule. Follow our online step-by-step guide to participate in TechStart at the following link:

techstart.github.io/guide

The following points summarize what is expected from your involvement:

- Select your TechStart Student Innovator (*details on the left*)
- Set up your virtual reality equipment with the TechStart Student Innovator, capturing and submitting a photo together with your kit when you finish
- Help your TechStart Student Innovator to capture and submit one 360 degree image of your class
- Ensure all people (*students and teachers*) appearing in any TechStart submissions (*photos and 360 images*) sign media release forms and mail them to TechStart using the provided return envelope
- Help students to complete the Vizor Starter Project and submit all projects to the TechStart team (*all students who submit a project will receive a TechStart award*)
- Complete a preliminary and concluding survey on your TechStart experience
- Have fun exploring with your students!

Thank you for being a part of the TechStart community!

*Remember to submit all projects by Monday, May 1st 2017
to qualify for the Trailblazer Awards*

