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New Jersey technical college to offer STEM training for teachers.

New Jersey’s Hudson Reporter (7/30, Sullivan) reported, “To help teachers develop new innovations for teaching in the areas of science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM), Honeywell Hometown Solutions and the Stevens Institute of Technology (SIT) in Hoboken, N.J. “recently expanded their Teachers for the 21st Century Summer Institute.” According to the Hudson Reporter, “More than 40 teachers throughout Hudson County and Northern New Jersey spent two weeks at SIT “to bolster their science knowledge and develop new approaches that might energize the...students they teach, in hopes that these students will seek careers” in STEM. Beth McGrath, SIT’s director of innovations in engineering and science education, said that “the program teaches educators how to engage children, show how science and technology can be fun, and how to collect data and perform experiments.” In 2007, “a pilot program involved only Jersey City teachers,” but “[t]his year, Honeywell helped double the budget for the program, allowing teachers from Bayonne, Jersey City, West New York, Secaucus, and schools outside the county to take part.”