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### **Nashoba Valley Technical High School Receives STEM Career Pathway Capacity Grant**

**Westford, Mass. 2/14/18** – Nashoba Valley Technical High School announced today that it has received a grant to offer high-quality science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) programs from [Project Lead The Way](#) (PLTW). PLTW is a nonprofit organization that provides a transformative learning experience for K-12 students and teachers through pathways in computer science, engineering and biomedical science. More than 10,500 schools across the country offer PLTW programs to millions of students.

The mission of Nashoba Valley Technical High School is to provide the highest quality career and technical education to prepare students for the world of college and career. The \$20,000 received through this grant will further this mission for students in our Programming & Web, Engineering, and Robotics programs through equipment and training for the ever changing world of computer programming and cybersecurity.

Nashoba Valley Technical High School is just one of 73 schools across the commonwealth to receive the grant, which is supported by the Administration of Massachusetts Gov. Charlie Baker and Lt. Gov. Karyn Polito, the One8 Foundation, and Mass STEM Hub.

“It is essential that we engage our students throughout their K-12 school years with hands-on lessons in science, engineering, computer science, technology and math,” said Lt. Governor Karyn Polito.

Nashoba Valley Technical High School will use grant funds to strengthen our exiting Programming and Web technical programming by incorporating PLTW Computer Science. Funds from the grant will also support teacher professional development and the purchase of materials and equipment that will be used in the hands-on, activity-, project-, and problem-based courses.

“We are proud to partner with Nashoba Valley Technical High School to empower students to develop the in-demand knowledge and transportable skills to thrive in our evolving world,” said Vince Bertram, PLTW president and CEO. “Thank you to the Governor’s Office, the One8 Foundation, and Mass STEM Hub for making these grants possible and further investing in Massachusetts’s students.”

#### **About PLTW**

Project Lead The Way (PLTW) is a nonprofit organization that provides a transformative learning experience for K-12 students and teachers across the U.S. PLTW empowers students to develop in-demand, transportable knowledge and skills through pathways in computer science, engineering, and biomedical science. PLTW’s teacher training and resources support teachers as they engage their students in real-world learning. More than 10,500 elementary, middle, and high schools in all 50 states and the District of Columbia offer PLTW programs. For more information on Project Lead The Way, visit [pltw.org](http://pltw.org).

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