

# Estes invited to National Science Education Symposium

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Jeff Estes, Co-Director of Washington State LASER and Manager, Science & Engineering Education, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, is an invited panelist at the October 30-31, National Science Resources Center's (NSRC) "**Changing the Course of Science Education: A Symposium for Key Stakeholders in America's Future**" in Washington, D.C.

Jeff will be highlighting the work of Washington State LASER, one of three case studies selected for presentation at this national symposium. The symposium is designed to address five critical questions related to research and best practices in K-12 science education.

These questions include:

- What is the state of science education in the U.S.?
- What does a quality science program look like?
- What research informs this way of teaching science?
- How have others done it?
- What can I do?

Joining panelists from Delaware and North Carolina, Estes will present the Washington State case study which illustrates the effective partnership that has been established through Washington State LASER among:

- Business
- Informal science education
- Higher education
- The Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction
- Educational service districts
- K-12 school districts

The NSRC is Washington State LASER's national partner and was established in 1985 by the Smithsonian Institution and the National Academies.

For more information on the symposium, visit <http://www.nсроonline.org>.