



AAAS Local Science Engagement Network (LSEN) Code of Conduct

As representatives of the science community, the AAAS LSEN program asks every participant to follow a set of guidelines to ensure that we represent ourselves, the science community, and science itself in a reasonable and responsible manner.

1. All civic engagement activities within the LSEN shall be conducted with **respect**. Our goal is to facilitate healthy and constructive conversations that build visibility and trust in science for the benefit of all.
2. LSEN participants shall **represent science responsibly** and accurately to the best of their abilities. We aim to build productive relationships, not disparage or marginalize anyone. Reach out to AAAS staff directly to discuss and resolve any disagreements or concerns.
3. LSEN **does not support lobbying** for or against any specific legislation. LSEN supports opportunities to elevate science, evidence, and analysis for informational purposes in community discussions and policy deliberations.
4. LSEN participants are responsible for **being aware of their employers or institutions' policies** related to engagement activities and notifying the proper personnel at their intuitions of any interactions governed by those policies.
5. **LSEN participants are volunteers who do not represent AAAS as staff or experts.** AAAS and LSEN will provide skills building and engagement support services to our participants but do not endorse any specific local or state policy positions or political perspectives.
6. **LSEN promotes diversity, equity, inclusion, justice, and accessibility** as pathways to scientific excellence that benefits all.

By participating in the LSEN program, you agree to abide by the Code of Conduct.