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October 2026 I CAN STEM New Jersey Role Model Announced

Chatham, N.J. — The New Jersey STEM Pathways Network (NJSPN) is pleased to announce Lery PointDuJour, as its October I CAN STEM New Jersey Role Model and welcome him as a member of the 2026 I CAN STEM Role Model Class.

The I CAN STEM initiative highlights individuals who are making meaningful contributions to STEM across New Jersey and helping inspire the next generation to see themselves in STEM. Each year, 12 role models are featured—one per month—representing the diverse people, careers, and pathways that make up New Jersey's STEM community.

Lery PointDuJour, a New Jersey data scientist, technology project manager, biological science professional, and entrepreneur is a son of Haitian immigrants. He earned a bachelor's degree in Computer Science and a master's degree in Biomedical Science from Rutgers University while working full time. His career has spanned technology, healthcare, finance, government, and pharmaceutical organizations, including work that helped recover more than $1.7 million in fraudulent payments for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Lery is the Founder and Director of ldujour, a technology firm providing data science, technology, and biological science solutions across multiple industries. Since founding the company in 2018, he has also continued his commitment to education as a biological science professor at multiple New Jersey community colleges. He regularly advises and mentors young people pursuing STEM careers and has served as a guest judge for the NJ STEM C2 Conference.

For more information about I CAN STEM or to nominate a future role model, visit njstempathways.org/i-can-stem/.

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The NJSPN was created in 2014 and is managed by the Research & Development Council for New Jersey. It includes over 800 STEM leaders from across the State and connects all STEM stakeholders-K-12, higher education, non-profit, informal providers, business, philanthropists and government. NJSPN has eight STEM learning ecosystems as part of an international network of ecosystems.