



The ISTEAM Collaborative

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Family Learning Tools

IT'S BERRY SEASON!

Summer is a time when many berries ripen, making for a sweet and delicious snack for humans as well as our flying and four-legged relatives. Berry-picking is a great family activity for the summer. You can learn more about the different kinds of berries that Jeanette, one of our ISTEAM elders, has growing in her garden [here](#). You can also learn more about different ways to prepare and preserve berries, as well as other first foods, at the [Food Activities](#) page on our website.



An invitation for exploration SEASONAL CHANGES



◇ Observing changes in the season is a great way to learn more about the place that you're in. You can find materials for learning more about the seasonal changes on our [website](#). This [activity](#) involves prompts and guiding questions for learning about seasonal changes as you go outside, and these [plant cards](#) are a great resource for learning about seasonal cycles and ecological relationships for different plants! We also encourage you to download and use our DIY card templates to design or draw your own plant, bird, or other relative cards, and to share them with your family.

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◇ Our work is funded by grants DRL 1712796 and DRL 1713368 from the National Science Foundation, which supports our co-design research. In collaboration with community members, we've developed the learning materials you find on our website, along with guiding principles for land and water based learning which have shaped our ISTEAM summer camp program. We're hopeful that with additional funding we will be able to develop additional materials and sponsor ISTEAM in the Chicago and Seattle areas and beyond in 2022.

Events and Opportunities

- ◇ [AISES](#) (American Indian Science and Engineering Society)
September 23-25, Phoenix, AZ IN PERSON
- ◇ [NIEA](#) (National Indian Education Association)
Annual Convention and Trade Show
October 13-16, Omaha, NE

We want to hear from you!

If you're using our materials, we would love to hear from you. Have you modified the materials to suit your own setting? Have you used the DIY card templates to create your own cards? Did you learn something new? Send us your thoughts or pictures at Twitter or Instagram @IndigenousSTEAM or email us at info@indigenousteam.org.



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