



# ACRES

AFTERSCHOOL COACHING  
FOR REFLECTIVE EDUCATORS IN STEM

ACRES is a nationally acclaimed coaching program that builds knowledge and skills so afterschool educators, librarians and anyone who works with youth in out-of-school settings can confidently facilitate Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) experiences.



**47**

STATES



**1,159**

EDUCATORS



**23,180**

APPROXIMATE YOUTHS  
IMPACTED



**New opportunities to learn are always starting**



stem**o**next  
OPPORTUNITY FUND



# ACRES PARTICIPATION TIMELINE

## Skill Session

Coach introduces the skill for educators to practice



## Feedback Session 1

Educators share their evidence of practice and exchange feedback on the skill



## Practice 1

Educators practice the skill with youth and record their practice (audio or video)



## Practice 2

Educators practice the skill with youth and record their practice (audio or video)



## Feedback Session 2

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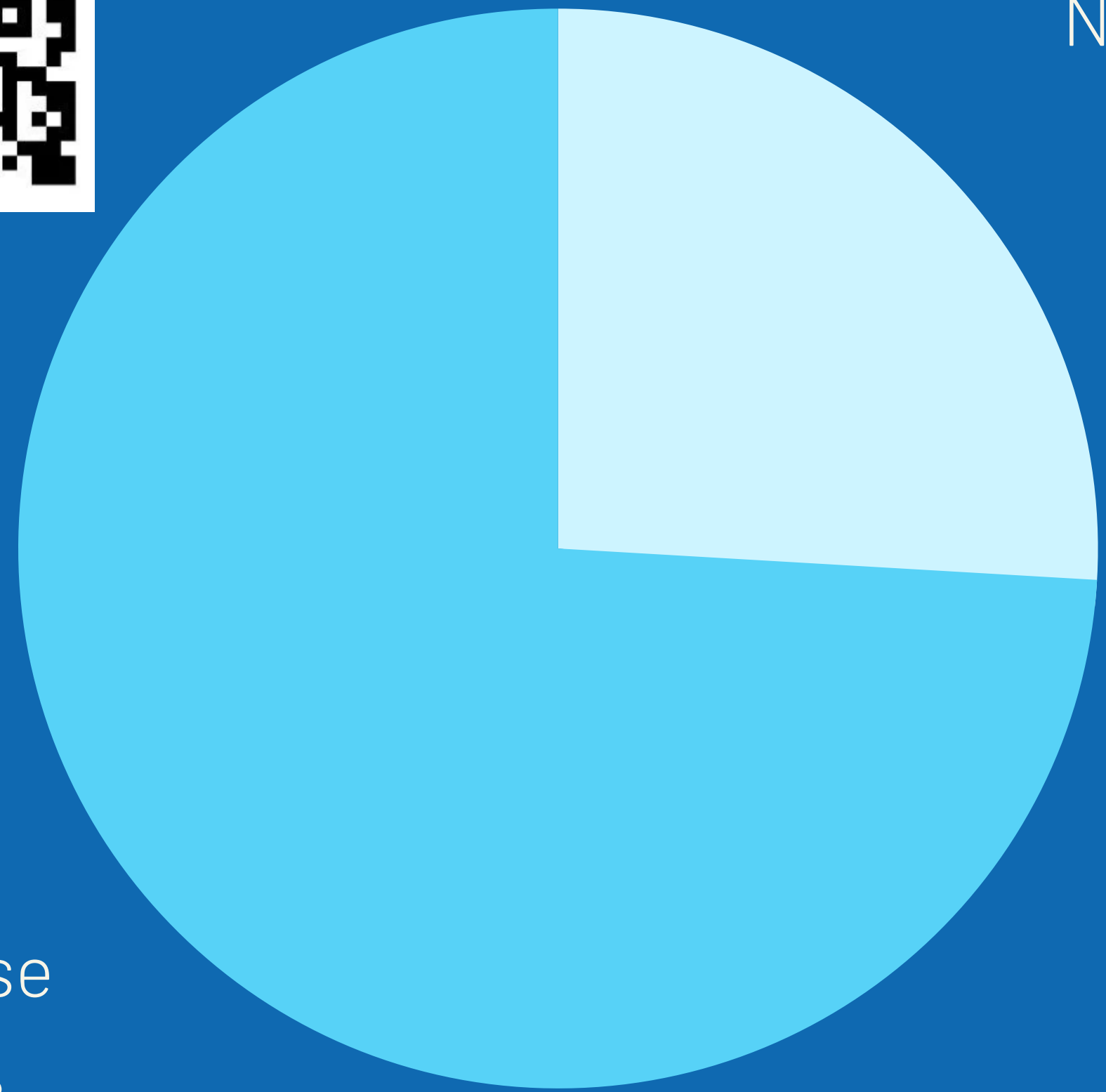
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- Asking Purposeful Questions
- Facilitating Engineering Practices
- Making Math Engaging
- Facilitating Science Practices
- Nurturing STEM Identity and Making Career Connections
- Elevating Youth Voice and Choice
- Virtualizing Your Programs and Activities

**BUILDS ON  
FOUNDATIONAL  
SKILLS**



No change  
25.9%

Increase  
74.1%

**ACRES TRAINING  
IMPROVES  
EDUCATOR  
CONFIDENCE IN  
ASKING YOUTH  
STEM QUESTIONS**



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I THINK ME ASKING PURPOSEFUL QUESTIONS AND MY STUDENT BEING ABLE TO LAY HER THOUGHT PROCESS OUT, IT HELPS HER BACKTRACK. AND SHE'S ABLE TO TELL ME THIS, AND I DID THIS AND I DID THAT. SO I THINK HELPS HER GET LESS FRUSTRATED BECAUSE SHE KNOWS WHAT SHE DID INSTEAD OF, IT'S WRONG.

-ACRES EDUCATOR

**ACRES YIELDS  
MEANINGFUL  
CONVERSATIONS  
WITH YOUTH**



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OVERALL THIS IS A VERY ACCESSIBLE TRAINING TOPIC FOR OUR MEMBERS WHO ARE NEW TO ACTIVITY FACILITATION, AND IS A GREAT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EXPERIENCE FOR OUR YOUNG MEMBERS FOR WHOM THIS IS THEIR FIRST PROFESSIONAL JOB EXPERIENCE

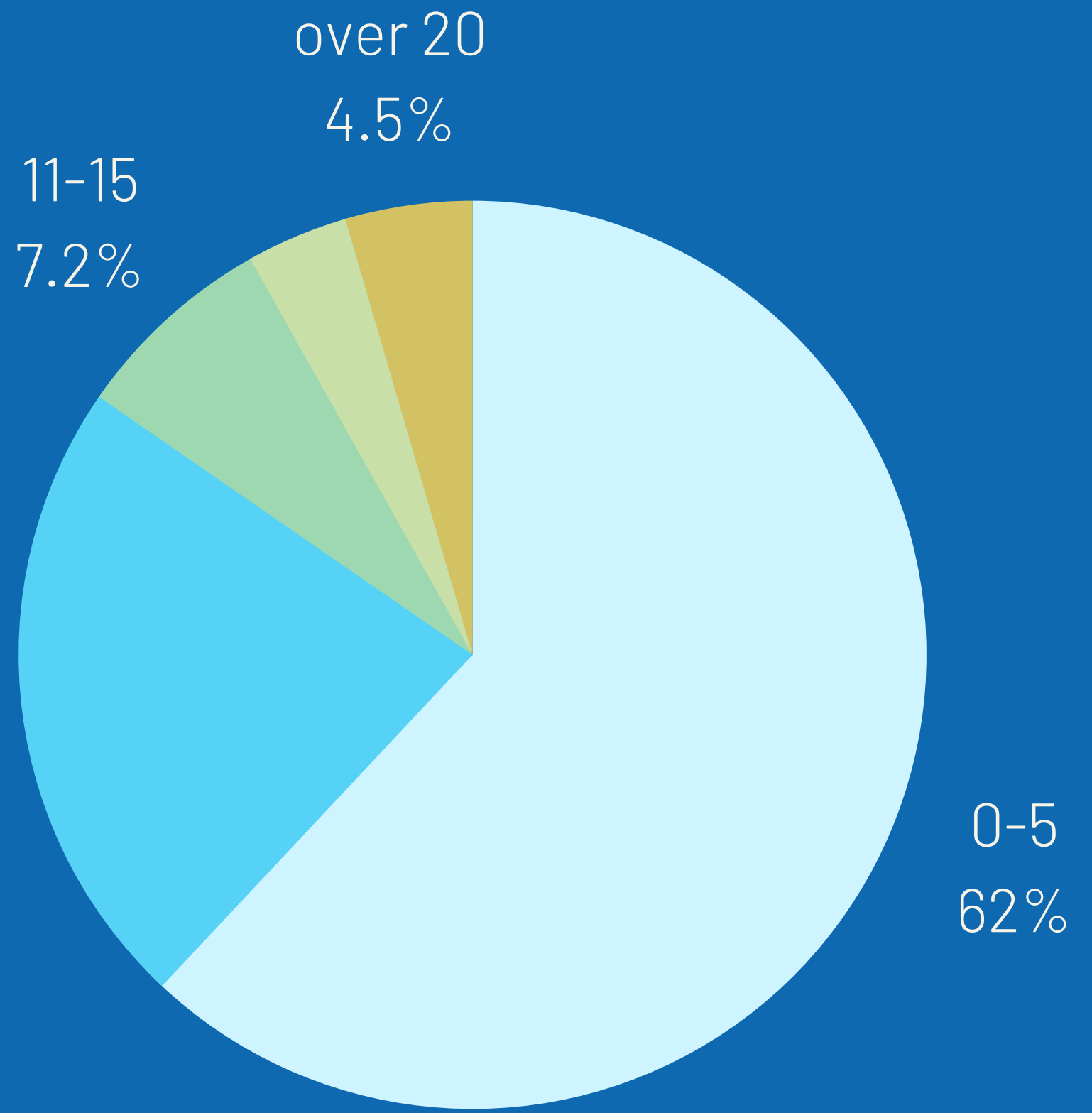
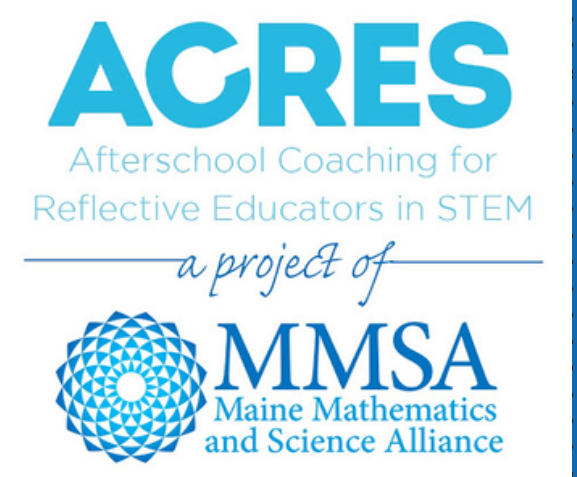
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TRAINING FOR NEW  
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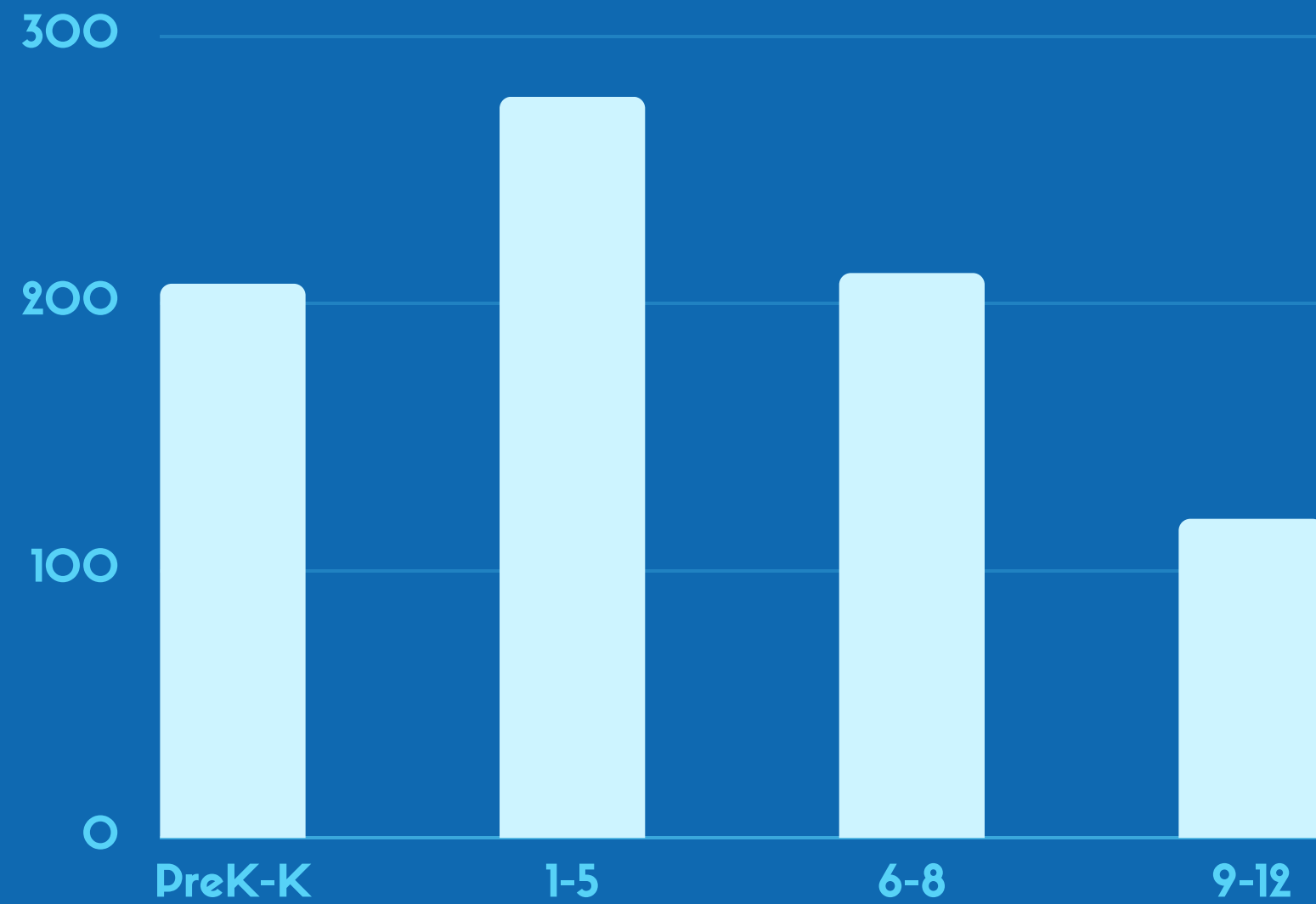
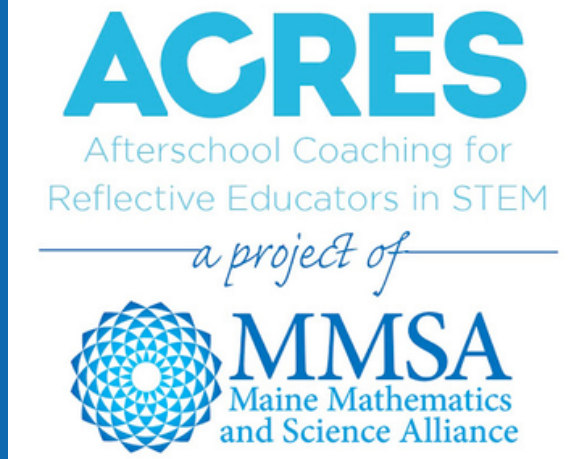


**OVER 60% OF  
ACRES EDUCATORS  
HAVE UNDER 5  
YEARS  
EXPERIENCE  
FACILITATING  
STEM ACTIVITIES  
WITH YOUTH**



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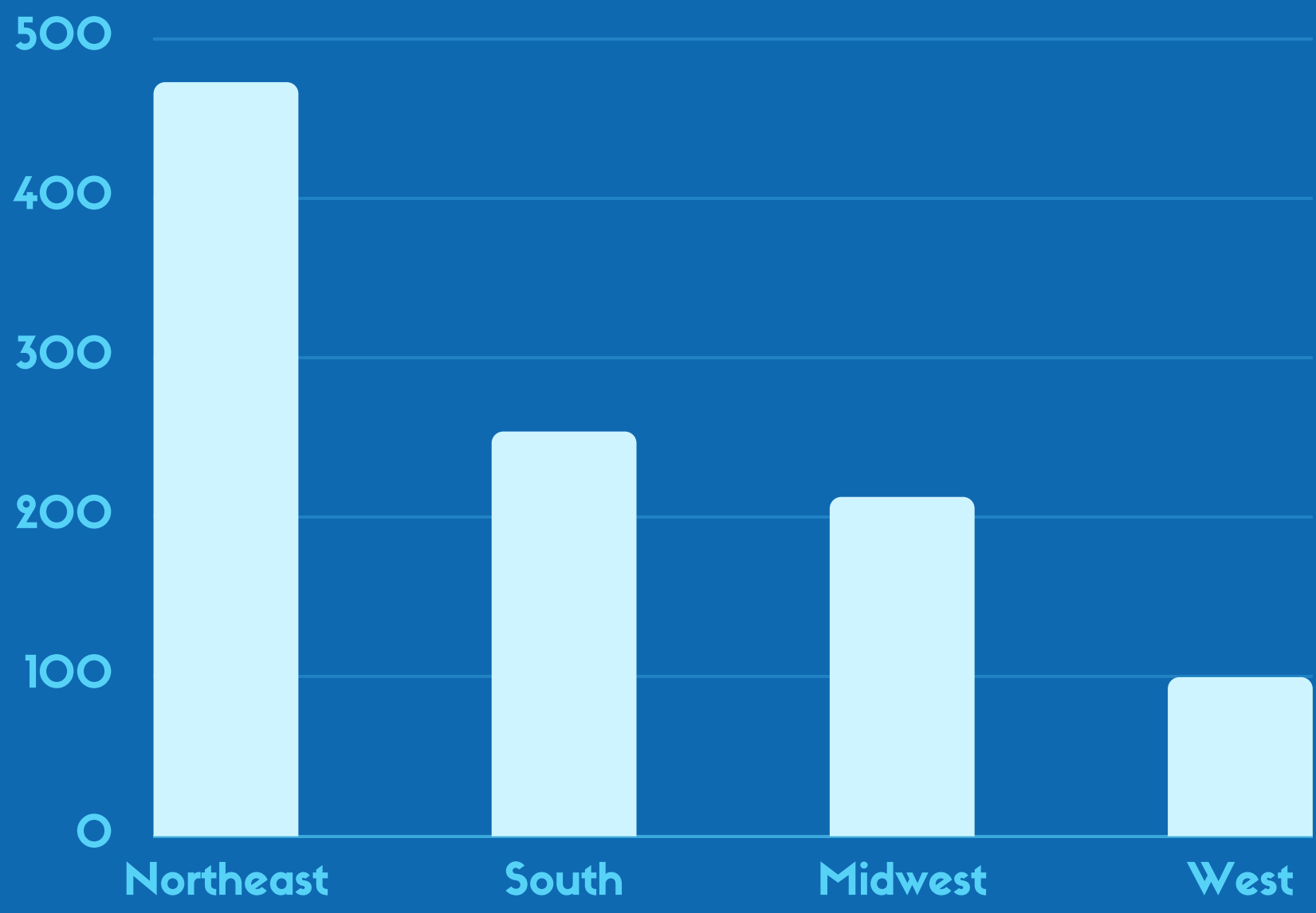
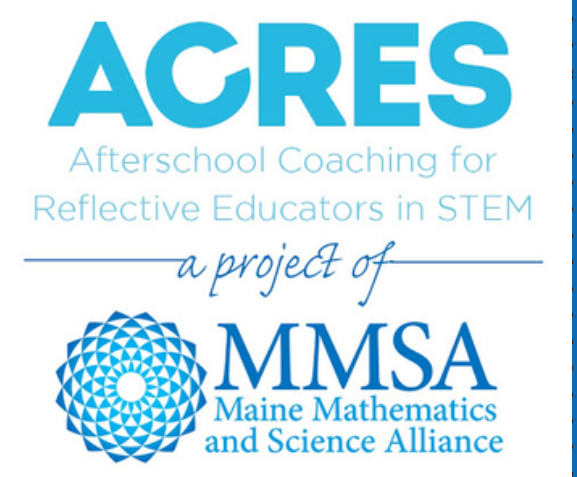
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SERVE YOUTH OF  
ALL AGES**





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COME FROM ALL  
OVER THE U.S.**



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