

## Ignition Design Labs Partners with SACNAS to Sponsor STEM Programs

JULY 20, 2016 | SAN JOSE, CA and SANTA CRUZ, CA - Ignition Design Labs and [Society for Advancement of Chicanos/Hispanics & Native Americans](#) (SACNAS) today announced a partnership to help support the nonprofit's STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) efforts.

Ignition Design Labs will donate 100 of its radically new Portal WiFi routers to SACNAS. Portal was designed to thrive in today's increasingly congested environments and give consumers superior speed, coverage and reliability.

"SACNAS focuses on building a national network of peers and mentors for the next generation of diverse STEM leaders. Partnerships like this provide us with the essential communications tools to create these bridges," said Antonia O. Franco, Ed.D, Executive Director of SACNAS. "Ignition's technology is at the forefront of the industry. We hope their example of innovation will inspire our SACNAS members to achieve even greater heights."

"At the very start, we want to give back and help empower tomorrow's scientists and engineers with the knowledge and tools necessary to further expand their careers," said Terry Ngo, cofounder and CEO of Ignition Design Labs. "Our product, Portal, means 'door' and we hope our contribution will open a wider door for Chicano, Hispanic and Native American STEM students."

### About Portal

Portal is a smart WiFi router designed to solve WiFi congestion, which is a common problem that is caused when many people in the same area are using the Internet at the same time. Portal analyzes environments to unlock clean DFS channels in the 5GHz range. Because of its unique radar-sensing hardware, it is the only router certified to operate on these channels. Portal helps ensure that consumers get the best WiFi performance and speed, whether they're shopping, streaming, surfing the web or gaming. Portal was developed by Ignition Design Labs. The company, which is headquartered in the Bay Area, was founded by alumni of the networking division of Qualcomm. For more information, please visit [Portal](#), [Ignition Design Labs](#), [Blog](#), [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) pages.

### About SACNAS

SACNAS is an inclusive organization dedicated to fostering the success of Chicano/Hispanic and Native American scientists, from college students to professionals, in attaining advanced degrees, careers and positions of leadership in STEM. SACNAS serves a community of over 20,000 and has over 100 chapters nationwide. SACNAS will host its annual [National Conference](#) Oct. 13-15 at the Long Beach Convention Center.

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