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CARNEGIE SCIENCE CENTER PARTNERS WITH GSK, THE FRANKLIN INSTITUTE, AND LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS TO PRESENT FREE SCIENCE PROGRAM

GSK SCIENCE IN THE SUMMER™ FEATURES HANDS-ON LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES 2–6

PITTSBURGH, June 17, 2022 – This summer, in an effort to keep the learning going for students entering second through sixth grade, Carnegie Science Center will administer GSK Science in the Summer™ programming to students at 10 local organizations. Sponsored by GSK in partnership with The Franklin Institute, Science in the Summer is a free, hands-on education program that aims to inspire the next generation of scientists and engineers.

Now in its 36th year, Science in the Summer engages elementary-age students through partnerships between museums, libraries, and community-based organizations to build excitement and interest in science learning while preventing "summer slide." This year's theme, "Be a Biologist," features all-new activities that invite children to help solve real-world problems while exploring the different types of biologists including fisheries biologist, paleobiologist, plant biologist, and more.

In partnership with 10 Pittsburgh-area libraries and community-based organizations, Carnegie Science Center will present Science in the Summer locally by providing supplies, curriculum, and learning opportunities this June through August. To view the participating organizations and program dates, visit https://carnegiesciencecenter.org/programs/science-in-the-summer/.

This year all sessions will be provided at partner sites, in person. Registered families from each participating organization's community will receive activity kits containing supplies, a guide, and access to supplemental videos. Carnegie Science Center's Science on the Road educators will provide all program supplies to ensure all registered participants will do at least two activities during the session.

Registration is limited and will vary by organization. Organizations may limit registration to their patrons/community members.

For more information on Science in the Summer, please visit http://scienceinthesummer.fi.edu/

About Carnegie Science Center

Carnegie Science Center is dedicated to inspiring learning and curiosity by connecting science and technology with everyday life. By making science both relevant and fun, the Science Center's goal is to increase science literacy in the region and motivate young people to seek careers in science and technology. One of the four Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh, the Science Center is Pittsburgh's premier science exploration destination, reaching more than 700,000 people annually through its hands-on exhibits, camps, classes, and off-site education programs.

Accessibility: Features for All

Carnegie Science Center welcomes all visitors. We work to assist visitors with disabilities in obtaining reasonable and appropriate accommodations, and in supporting equal access to services, programs, and activities. We welcome visitors in wheelchairs on the deck of our USS Requin (SS 481) submarine. Below-deck visits require full mobility. Hearing assistance devices are available for The Rangos Giant Cinema. Please ask when you buy your ticket.

Please note that requests for accommodations should be made at least two weeks prior to your visit. For specific questions about wheelchairs, strollers, or other programmatic or equipment needs, see the ticket counter located on the first floor of the main building or contact Customer Service at 412.237.1641 or info@carnegiesciencecenter.org. Please contact Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh's Accessibility Coordinator with concerns regarding accessibility for visitors with disabilities at the museums. On weekdays, call 412.622.6578 or email accessibility@carnegiemuseums.org.

About Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh

Founded by Andrew Carnegie in 1895, <u>Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh</u> is a family of four dynamic, distinctive museums: Carnegie Museum of Art, Carnegie Museum of Natural History, Carnegie Science Center, and The Andy Warhol Museum. The museums reach 1.5 million people a year through exhibitions, educational programs, outreach activities, and special events.

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