Scientist-in-the-Classroom Program
Partner Teacher Applications
June 1, 2016 through May 31, 2017
APPLICATION INFORMATION

Partnership Details: Participating teachers partner with a Science Teaching Fellow (STF) from Vanderbilt University, Meharry University, Tennessee State University, or Middle Tennessee State University. Fellows will spend one day per week collaboratively conducting hands-on activities with you in your classroom. Partner Teachers must obtain the recommendation of their principal, agree to attend two weeks of training in the summertime (June 6, 2016 – June 17, 2016) related to the partnership, plan and carry out inquiry based, hands-on lessons with the Fellows, and allow observers in their classroom. It is important that partner-teachers demonstrate a desire to improve science instruction in the classroom.

Eligibility Requirements: Teaching partnerships are intended for elementary and middle school teachers in grades 3-8 in Metro Nashville Public Schools. Interested teachers should display a dedication to the education of all children, a commitment to their own professional growth, and a record of fostering communities of learners. Applicants must agree to an observation and interview by the program coordinator or staff.

Fellowship Time Commitment: The conditions of the Scientist-in-the-Classroom Program require Partner Teachers to complete the entire two-week summer partnership experience. The summer 2016 workshop is scheduled for June 7, 2016 – June 17, 2016. Partner Teachers are expected to plan regularly with their fellow during the academic year, participate with the fellows in collaborative teaching, and assisting with ongoing evaluation activities for the program.

Submission Materials: Fill out the attached form and use it as a cover sheet for the Statement of Interest, describing how you plan to use this experience to improve your instruction, and how you will be able to share what you gain with your colleagues in the school. In addition, two letters of recommendation must be received by the deadline date. Letters of recommendation should be sent by the person making the recommendation to the appropriate address listed in the next section. One letter of recommendation must be from the principal.

DEADLINE: All application materials for these openings should be received no later than May 1, 2016. Interested persons should notify Jennifer Ufnar via e-mail as soon as possible. jennifer.ufnar@vanderbilt.edu. Mail completed applications to:

Jennifer Ufnar
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PMB 230 GPC
230 Appleton Place
Nashville, TN 37203
Scientist-in-the-Classroom Program
Partner Teacher Application

Name ________________________________ School ____________________________

Grade_______________________________ Subjects_____________________________

School Address __________________________________________________________

Home Address ___________________________________________________________

E-mail address: __________________________________________________________

School Phone_______________________ Home Phone __________________________

Persons asked to send letters of recommendation:

1. Your Principal ______________________________ Telephone __________________

2. Name ____________________________________ Telephone ___________________

Degree/s that you hold: ____________________________________________________

Certification/s you hold: ___________________________________________________

Teaching Experience (beginning with most recent)

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Other relevant activities: (activities outside your regular teaching duties)

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Also, please include a Statement of Interest in this program, describing how you plan to use this experience to improve your instruction, and how you will be able to share what you gain with your colleagues in the school.

Date _________________ Signature ______________________

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