

Cornerstone Christian Academy
Science Academy
2007-2008

To our volunteers:

Your participation in this year's Science Academy is much appreciated. This purpose of this letter is to give you a short update about the organization of Science Academy and what is available for you. This year, Cornerstone Christian Academy is working to create improved communication with students, families and volunteers by having an improved web site which contains up to date information concerning items that are happening within Cornerstone. You are encouraged to visit the Cornerstone website at www.cornerstonechildren.org.

The website has a page dedicated to Science Academy. The page will have frequent updates with important information, schedule of volunteers and topics, and open dates for your presentation at Science Academy. The majority of communications will be done via e-mail, but other means can be used as needed. The goal of this reorganization is to make it easy for you to schedule your talk with a minimum of interruption to your already busy schedules.

This year the Science Academy sessions will be aligned, as much possible, with the established Science Curriculum to further enrich each student's experience. The students will be studying four general areas of science: Life Science: the study of plants, animals and bugs, Physical Science: the study of physics, electronics, engineering and computers, Earth Science: the study of rocks, planets and the earth and The Human Body: the study of health and the human body. The calendar is arranged in a loose organization of dates revolving around these topics. You are encouraged to submit your preferred date(s) that fall within what you consider your section of science. Please include a primary and secondary date, if possible. All efforts will be made to accommodate your primary choice.

The following is the overall topic calendar for this school year.

Life Science: August-November
Physical Science: November-January
Earth Science: January-March
Human Body: March-May

If for some reason you are not able to select a date within the time period for which your area of expertise is scheduled, you are still welcome and encouraged to select a time during the school year when you can participate.

Science Academy will be held Friday afternoons. Depending on your schedule

and preference, three schedule options are available for you to select for your presentation. The students range from first thru fifth grades.

Four separate classes of approximately 8-14 students each (45 minutes each):

12-12:45
12:45-1:30
1:30- 2:15
2:15- 3pm

Two classes of approximately 20 students each (45 minutes each):

1:30-2:15
2:15-3pm

One class of approximately 40-45 students each (45 minutes):

1:30-2:15pm

Room 201, a large room on the second floor of the A&M Church of Christ, will be made available for your presentation, if needed. A Cornerstone Volunteer will meet you at the church office to assist you with finding the room and setting up for your presentation. Tables, chairs, a television with DVD or VCR capabilities and a laptop computer with projection attachment will be made available as needed. You are asked to provide advance notice for any needed equipment or setup requirements to insure that it is reserved and set prior to your visit.

You are encouraged to be creative with your presentation. Should you wish the children to visit you at your work place we can make appropriate accommodation, but request at least one month advance notice to plan transportation and obtain parental consent.

Please know that the students truly look forward to these visits, and are very disappointed on weeks when one of you is not able to attend. Do not limit yourselves or your imaginations, these students are bright and will be excited and fully engaged with all of your visits. Please contact us with any questions you may have. The continued success of this program depends on each and every one of you.

Thank you and God bless your service to His children.

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