

Arizona Science Center to Provide In-Person Support for Elementary Students During School Days Science Hall to Serve as Remote Learning Support

PHOENIX, AZ (August 20, 2020) - As students throughout Arizona return to school in a combination of remote and in-person classes, Arizona Science Center offers <u>Science Hall</u> to support students and families as they navigate remote learning. Students in grades K-6 can attend school virtually from CREATE at Arizona Science Center^(R).

Through *Science Hall*, students will have access to space and support for their virtual school days. The Science Center's dedicated and experienced learning team will work with each student to ensure they are online for all live virtual sessions and will complete independent assignments during the school day, as time provides. The student's teacher will continue to have primary responsibility for their educational needs, with the team at the Science Center providing basic support. When the school work is complete, students will participate in hands-on STEAM enrichment activities from CONNECT @ Arizona Science Center.

"Parents and families have expressed a great need for assistance in balancing supporting their children's online schooling while also often working full time," said Chevy Humphrey, The Hazel A. Hare President and CEO, Arizona Science Center. "We are committed to serving as our communities' learning and engagement partner in whatever capacity that needs to look like. We are here to help."

The Science Center will follow strict health and safety guidelines. Students and Team Members will wear face masks/coverings, social distance and will complete a health screening on a daily basis. Students and Team Members are expected to wash their hands regularly or use our sanitizing stations.

Arizona Science Center is proud to support families with facilitated distance learning support regardless of your ability to pay. Scholarships for Science Hall are available thanks to generous donors and community partners. To apply for a scholarship or learn more, please email STEM@azscience.org.

Science Hall registration information and additional details can be found here.

ABOUT ARIZONA SCIENCE CENTER

The mission of Arizona Science Center is to inspire, educate and engage curious minds through science. The Center is committed to providing a safe environment that aligns with expert protocols for COVID-19. Leadership actively monitors and evolves policies to ensure a focus on the health and safety of guests and team members.

The Center, located at 600 E. Washington Street in downtown Phoenix, features more than 300 hands-on exhibits, live demonstrations, a range of interactive online science content, the state-of-the-art Dorrance Planetarium and the five-story Irene P. Flinn Giant Screen Theater. CREATE at Arizona Science Center®, adjacent to the main building, is the newest addition. This 6,500 square foot community makerspace provides workshops, including 3D printing, laser cutting, woodworking and sewing. The Center offers programs for all ages, including Camp Innovation, Teen programs, Professional Development and Learning for Educators, and adults' night out: Science With A Twist. The Center also offers a broad range of online science learning resources for parents, educators, students and anyone curious about science. For further details, please visit azscience.org.



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