Science Express Participants,

Welcome back to another school year! First let me start off by saying that the price per teacher is still $300 per teacher per year. We are still offering a discount to schools that have 4 or more teachers in the program. No one school should have to pay more than $1000 per year for participation in Science Express. We will be sending out invoices before the end of August. The invoices will be sent to a participant at each school. Please get it into the hands of the correct person. Also, I cannot bring you any equipment until I get a statement of assurances signed by you and your administrator.

Something new for this year is that the Participant Information Sheet is now a google form that is filled out online. This link can be found in the Participants’ Area in the same place as the old form. We still ask that you fill it out yearly. Especially if you are a new-to Science Express teacher. Otherwise you will miss out on important updates as well as the monthly newsletters.

As it has been in the past, the equipment schedules are online so you can see when a piece of equipment is available. I will send out a set of equipment for one week per teacher at a time. If you would like to keep some equipment for two weeks let us know the week before your scheduled delivery date and if it is not in high usage at that particular time of the year, we should be able to leave it for two weeks. We will take it on a case by case basis.

We are very interested in hearing from you if there are changes you make to our labs. When we see trends for certain labs, we can modify them on our website to make them more user friendly for everyone. Also, if you are using Science Express equipment and using a completely original lab we would love to have it added to our website as well. Thank you for your help in this area!

Please remember that any and all Science Express equipment is to be used ONLY by teachers who are paid members of Science Express and are current in their three year recertification. If a teacher has had experience with a particular piece of equipment or even has had Science Express training, they are not eligible to use our equipment if they haven’t had a recertification in the past three years and/or their participation has been paid for the current school year.

As always if you have any problems big or small please either call or email us as soon as you can. Email is preferable because Sarah and I are out of the office quite frequently. After you have emailed me about the problem, please mark the piece of equipment by writing on a piece of tape and stick it to the instrument instead writing directly on the instrument, the box it came in, or baggy that it was in. This equipment is for you, the participants, and we want it complete and in good working order when it comes to each of you. Please follow the checklists and/or the training you received on the equipment, to look over the equipment the day it comes to you and before it is picked up again. Often, that equipment is going straight to another teacher. We will always do our best to give you notice if we will have to deliver less than the usual set. Also, much of the equipment and its accessory pieces are numbered. Please keep these same numbers together. Thank you.

Thank you for taking the time to read through this letter. We are looking forward to working with all of you this year.
What’s New in Science Express?

- Please remember no equipment requests will be taken before August 1st and no deliveries before August 13th.
- Equipment that doesn’t require special training is shown in purple on the delivery schedules.
- We have added a lot of new equipment in the last few months and much more is coming so please take a look at the instrumentation list once in a while.
- We have added some new labs and we are in the process of “cleaning up” some of the existing labs. If you have any suggestions, let us know. Thanks!

DELIVERY SCHEDULE:


Tuesday: Calumet, Crown Point, Lake Central, Lowell, Merrillville, River Forest, Thea Bowman

Wednesday: Benton Central, Faith Christian, Delphi, Harrison, Klondike, Kokomo, Logansport, Maple Crest, Tri County, Twin Lakes, West Lafayette, Western

Friday: Clinton Prairie, Crawfordsville, Frankfort, Jefferson, McCutcheon, North Montgomery, North Putnam, South Putnam

Upcoming Events

- 8/1 - Orders can be placed
- 8/6 – Science Express recertification training
- 8/13 - Equipment delivery will start

Happenings

- EAPS Outreach and Chemistry Outreach are excited to once again offer AP Fridays at Purdue. Please sign up to attend an AP Friday by clicking: https://goo.gl/forms/nUXKfjGocLVuzRSm1. Contact Steven or Sarah with any questions.

- Please find Science Express and like us on Facebook: @PurdueSE

- 2017-2018 was another great school year for Science Express! We had 36,999 student/instrument interactions. We made 1028 school visits to 100 teachers in 38 schools. We added 12 new teachers this summer!