Dear Fifth Grade Teacher:

Thank you for completing this form to support your student’s application to participate in the Science Ambassadors program at the Oregon National Primate Research Center. Our program, now entering its 16th year, is a mentorship program that matches 5th graders (“mentees”) with high school students who teach their “mentees” about important science concepts through interactive, hands-on activities. A schedule for the coming year is attached to the end of this form.

We appreciate your thoughtful responses to the following questions, which will assist us in building our team for the 2021-2022 school year. Please send your evaluation to me electronically (gordondi@ohsu.edu). Deadline for all application materials: Wednesday, November 3, at 11:59 p.m.

If you have any questions or need more information about our program or the application process, please contact Diana Gordon, Education & Outreach Coordinator at the Oregon National Primate Research Center, by phone (503-346-5055) or by e-mail (gordondi@ohsu.edu).

Student Name: _______________________________________________________

Teacher Name: _______________________________________________________ 

School: __________________________________________________________________

How long have you known this student? ________________________________

Your e-mail address: ____________________________ Phone No.: ________________

What three (3) words come to mind when you think of this student?

Does this student participate appropriately in your classroom?
We want participation in this program to be a positive experience for everyone who is involved. What challenges might a high school student face in working with this student?

Have there been any instances in your classroom in which this student has struggled to respect authority?

How would you rank this student’s ability to stay on task and follow instructions?

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Comments:

How well does this student adapt to classroom transitions?

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Comments:

Why would this student be an ideal candidate for the Science Ambassadors program? (What strengths/abilities will this student bring to the Science Ambassadors program?)

Is there anything else you can tell us about this student that would help us in our selection process?

**THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO PROVIDE US WITH THIS HELPFUL INFORMATION!**

The Beaverton School District does not sponsor or endorse the Science Ambassadors Program at the Oregon National Primate Research Center.
Science Ambassador 5th graders (“mentees”) generally meet on the 3rd and 4th Wednesdays of the month, unless otherwise indicated on the schedule (below). Meetings during the 2021-2022 school year will be held in a virtual space from 4-5:30 p.m. until further notice.

November 3  Mentee Applications AND Teacher Recommendation forms due by 11:59 p.m.

November 8  Applicants notified of their acceptance status (by email)

November 20  Mentee Meeting: Introduction Activities and Virtual Tour of the Center (10:30 a.m. – 12 noon) MANDATORY for parents and mentees!

December 15  Mentee Meeting: Caring for our Animals: Enrichment for Monkeys

December 22  NO MEETING: Winter Break

January 19  Mentee Meeting: Cells, Part 1

January 26  Mentee Meeting: Cells, Part 2

February 16  Mentee Meeting: Genetics, Part 1

February 23  Mentee Meeting: Genetics, Part 2

March 16  Mentee Meeting: The Immune System, Part 1

March 23  NO MEETING: Spring Break

March 30  Mentee Meeting: The Immune System, Part 2

April 20  Mentee Meeting: The Brain, Part 1

April 27  Mentee Meeting: The Brain, Part 2

May 20  Mentee Meeting: Final Ceremony and Year-End Celebration (6:30-8:30 p.m., families/teachers/etc. invited to presentation and ice cream social that follows – COVID PERMITTING!) MANDATORY for parents and mentees!