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 13th 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 2018-2019 school year. You may provide this form, in a sealed envelope with your signature across the flap, to your student for inclusion in his/her application packet, or send it to me electronically (gordondi@ohsu.edu) or by FAX (503-346-5015). Deadline for all application materials: Tuesday, October 30, 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?

How does this student interact with his/her peers? With his/her teachers?
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?

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

Lowest  1  2  3  4  5  Highest

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.
Oregon National Primate Research Center
Science Ambassadors Program
Mentees Meeting Schedule, 2018-2019

Science Ambassador 5th graders (“mentees”) generally meet on the 3rd and 4th Wednesdays of the month, unless otherwise indicated on the schedule (below). Meetings are held from 4-6 p.m. in the Montagna Auditorium Building on the campus of the Oregon National Primate Research Center.

October 30  Mentee Applications AND Teacher Recommendation forms due by 11:59 p.m.
November 2  Applicants notified of their acceptance status (by email)

December 2  **Mentee Meeting:** Introduction Activities and Tour of the Center (10:00 a.m. – 2:45 p.m.*)

            DRESS WARMLY!!!

            Scientist Presentation: Kristine Coleman, PhD

            “Caring for our Animals: The ONPRC Primate Behavior Unit”

            (*Students only, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon; Parents join from 12:00 noon – 2:45 p.m.)

December 19  **Mentee Meeting:** Caring for our Animals: Enrichment for Monkeys

Behavioral Services Unit

December 26  **NO MEETING:** Winter Break

January 23  **Mentee Meeting:** Cells, Part 1

January 30  **Mentee Meeting:** Cells, Part 2

February 20  **Mentee Meeting:** Genetics, Part 1

February 27  **Mentee Meeting:** Genetics, Part 2

March 20  **Mentee Meeting:** The Brain, Part 1

March 27  **NO MEETING:** Spring Break

April 3  **Mentee Meeting:** The Brain, Part 2

April 24  **Mentee Meeting:** Environmental Studies, Part 1

May 1  **Mentee Meeting:** Environmental Studies, Part 2

May 22  **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)