

STATE OF ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



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Eric G. Mackey, Ed.D. Secretary and Executive Officer **TO:** City and County Superintendents of Education

FROM: Eric G. Mackey Sym State Superintendent of Education

RE: National Youth Science Camp (NYSCamp)

It is my pleasure to share with you the invitation from the National Youth Science Foundation for two Alabama students to attend the National Youth Science Camp (NYSCamp). The NYSCamp is one of the nation's premier programs in secondary science education. Since its inception in 1963 as part of West Virginia's Centennial Celebration, the summer program has offered educational forums and recreational activities that encourage the development of thoughtful scientific leadership.

The students will be chosen as delegates to represent Alabama at the NYSCamp for the period of June 22, 2020, through July 15, 2020. All transportation, meals, and lodging expenses will be provided. Delegates must be graduating seniors who have demonstrated exceptional academic achievement, leadership in school and community activities, and a genuine interest in the sciences.

For additional information about the NYSCamp, please visit the website at <u>www.nyscamp.org</u>. Information about the NYSCamp delegate application process is attached. The deadline for all submissions through the NYSCamp website is February 28, 2020. If you should need additional information, please contact Dr. Carolyn A. Jones by telephone at (334) 694-4768 or via email at <u>cajones@alsde.edu</u>.

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Attachment

CC:

High School Principals High School Counselors Secondary Curriculum Coordinators Dr. Daniel Boyd Dr. Elisabeth Davis Mr. Sean J. Stevens Dr. Carolyn A. Jones

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Thank you for your interest in attending the National Youth Science Camp (NYSCamp)!

Alabama uses the NYSCamp Online Application. Please go to <u>http://apply.nysc.org</u>, create an account, and complete the application. For more information about the program, please visit the NYSCamp's web site at <u>http://www.nyscamp.org</u>. For more information about the organization that raises support for NYSCamp, the National Youth Science Foundation, visit <u>http://www.nysf.com</u>.

The deadline to submit applications is 6:00 PM EST on February 28, 2020. To be selected, you must be a graduating high school senior in the United States or Washington, D.C. Two students are chosen to represent each state and Washington D.C. as delegates to the National Youth Science Camp. The 2020 NYSCamp will be held from June 22 to July 15, 2020. Delegates must be able to attend the entire program. There will be **no** exceptions.

TO APPLY: Go to the top right of this Page and Select "Register." The following screen will allow you to create a login with E-mail or login with Facebook, Twitter, or Linkedin to access the Online Application. Once you have created an account, you will be able to login to begin your application and then access it at whichever point you have saved it.

Students representing one of the fifty United States or Washington, DC, must graduate from high school between July 1, 2019, and June 30, 2020.

Additionally,

- You must have documented superior academic proficiency, including recognition in mathematics or the sciences.
- You must have documented leadership abilities and social maturity through involvement in school or community activities.
- You must have documented skills and achievements outside the realm of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics and outside the realm of academia.
- You must demonstrate a curiosity and an eagerness to explore many and varied topics.
- You must intend to pursue higher education and a career in a science, technology, engineering, or mathematics related field.
- You must be willing and able to participate in the entire NYSCamp program. The 2020 NYSCamp dates are June 22 July 15, 2020.