



**Welcome
ScienceQuest Parents!**

We at _____ are glad that your child wants to work with a team of other young people on ScienceQuest. We are excited about this wonderful opportunity for your child to have fun and learn about science and technology at the same time.

Here is how it works: Small teams from our center (and in other places around the country) are working on building web sites to show off what they have learned about something in science. That might be how the heart works or why volcanoes blow their lids. It might be something about the tree outside the center or about what African elephants eat. The question - and finding the answers - will be up to the team of kids.

But they will not do it all by themselves. They will have a lot of help from coaches (adult volunteers) who will help them stay organized and make sure that they are making progress in their work. The coaches are people who enjoy learning themselves and can help the teams investigate their topics. The teams will have access to internet resources (web sites and people) as well as traditional libraries to find answers, and the coaches will help with that part, too. They will take field trips to the local park or to the institutions that can inspire and inform them about their project.

The teams will meet regularly at the center every week after they find a schedule that works for all members, and will work for about 10 to 15 weeks on this project. When they are done, we plan to have a celebration so that the teams can show everyone their web sites and what they learned.

We will keep you informed about the progress of the group, but meanwhile, if you have any questions, please call me at telephone # :

Sincerely,

I give permission for my child to go on a ScienceQuest!

Name:

Signature:

Date:

Child's name:

Emergency contacts (name and phone number)

Between 2 and 5 pm:

After 5 pm:

Weekends:



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Your child's adult coach will be _____