

Invite for the CCEW event at the MoS, Boston:

Sunday April 19, 2020

Dear All:

It gives me a great pleasure to welcome you all back to the Chemists Celebrate Earth Week event again in 2020. The NESACS and MoS will be celebrating **Chemists Celebrate Earth Week at the Blue Wing (First floor) of MoS on Sunday April 19, 2020 from 10.30 am - 3.30 pm. The event starts at 9.00 am with the training session.**

I am super excited to share that our NESACS section won the ‘**ChemLuminary Award for the Outstanding Community Involvement in CCED**’ during Fall 2019 ACS meeting in San Diego. **We are so proud of our wonderful, inspiring, and committed science educators (YOU FOLKS!!)** who keep the spirit of science going with energy and enthusiasm, every single time, year after year. Go NESACS science educators!

<https://www.acs.org/content/acs/en/funding-and-awards/awards/community/what-are-the-chemluminary-awards/2018-chemluminary-award-winners1.html>

The theme for Chemists Celebrate Earth Week event this year is “*Protecting our Planet through Chemistry*”. We encourage teams to bring their own activities related to the current theme. If you don’t have one no worries, please mention it on the sign-up sheet. We can provide you with activities. Looking forward to having you all at the fun-filled STEM outreach event. After this event, the science educators can enjoy the Cambridge Science Festival happening in the same area.

Here is the schedule:

Arrival/Training: 9:00 - 10:00am

1st shift activities: 10:00am - 12:30pm (includes set-up time)

2nd shift activities: noon - 2.00 pm

3rd shift activities: 1:30pm - 4:00pm (includes clean-up time)

Please complete the following online form by **Feb 21, 2020 (Friday)**. **This would greatly assist me with ordering t-shirts for our science educators (volunteers)**. The event is from 10.30 am - 3.30 pm, we need help with the set-up of activities from 10:00 - 10.30 am and help with the cleanup from 3.30 - 4:00 pm. We encourage our science educators to sign up for any or all of the three shifts. We request our science educators to be at the 9.00 am training session. We are also tentatively planning for an online training

a week before the event for the afternoon science educators to attend (in case they can't stay at the museum all day).

SIGN UP GOOGLE FORM: <https://forms.gle/9SKDqfVgxhbxVwwV7>

Please enter the Name of your Institution, Title of your activity, Your Full Name & e-mail of the contact person from your Institute, **names of all the science educators** from your Institute, **number of t-shirts (+ t-shirt sizes) for your team members** at the above link.

NOTE: Due to space restrictions in the museum this year (due to constructions), we are limiting the number of activities and guest educator sign-ups. We are limiting the number of science educators for this event to 60. Once we have 60 science educators on our sign up sheet, we will be directing you to waiting list for the event. Thank you for your understanding!

I request the team leader from your institution to e-mail me (and David: dsittenfeld@mos.org & Emily: ehostetler@mos.org) the following information by **March 13, 2020(Friday)**.

(a) Title of your activity

(b) Abstract

(c) List of materials to be used for the planned activity. Please be advised that our Museum safety committee does not allow for any chemicals used with visitors or volunteers that could be potentially hazardous in any way.

We hope to see you all at the Earth Day Event. All the science educators will receive an Earth Day t-shirt. We also plan on providing lunch for our science educators! As always, thanks for your commitment and enthusiasm.

Dr. Ranga

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