

**Scientist-in-the-Classroom Partnership Program**  
**Partner Teacher Application Information**  
**June 1, 2008 through May 31, 2009**

**Partnership Details:** Each teacher will work in collaboration with a graduate student or post-doctoral fellow. Partner teachers must teach five classes of science per day; obtain the recommendation of their principal; agree to attend two weeks of training in summer related to the partnership; plan and carry out inquiry based, hands-on lessons with the fellow; and allow observers in their classroom. It is important that partner-teachers demonstrate a desire to improve science instruction in the classroom. The stipends for Partner Teachers are \$85.00 per day for the two-week summer commitment. Each Partner Teacher will also receive an honorarium for hosting the teaching fellow in his/her classroom.

**Eligibility Requirements:** Teaching partnerships are intended for middle school teachers in grades 7 or 8 in Metro Nashville Public Schools who teach five classes of science per day. Interested teachers should display a dedication to the education of all children, a commitment to their own professional growth, and a record of fostering communities of learners. Applicants must agree to an observation and interview by the program coordinator or staff.

**Fellowship Time Commitment:** The conditions of the program require Partner Teachers to complete the entire two-week summer partnership experience. The summer 2008 workshop is scheduled for **June 2 to 13, 2008**. Partner Teachers are expected to spend time planning regularly during the academic year and participate with the teaching fellows in collaborative teaching, as well as assisting with ongoing evaluation activities for the program.

**Submission Materials:** Fill out the attached form and use it as a cover sheet for the statement of interest, describing how you plan to use the experience and your intentions for sharing what you learned. In addition, two letters of recommendation must be received by the deadline date. Letters of recommendation should be sent by the person making the recommendation to the appropriate address listed in the next section. One must be from your current principal.

**Deadline:** All application materials for these openings should be received no later than **April 1, 2008**. Interested persons should notify Jeannie Tuschl ([jeannie.tuschl@vanderbilt.edu](mailto:jeannie.tuschl@vanderbilt.edu)) via email as soon as possible.

Mail completed applications to:

Jeannie Tuschl, Scientist-in-the-Classroom Program Coordinator  
Vanderbilt Center for Science Outreach  
806 Light Hall  
Nashville, TN 37232-0670

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## Partner Teacher Application

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

School Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

School Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Home/Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Persons asked to send letters of recommendation:

1. Your Principal \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Degree/s that you hold \_\_\_\_\_

Certification/s you hold \_\_\_\_\_

Teaching Experience (beginning with most recent):

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Other relevant activities (activities beyond your regular teaching duties):

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Also, please include a statement of 1) the reasons for your interest in this program; 2) how you plan to use this experience to improve your instruction; and 3) how you will be able to share what you gain with your colleagues in the school.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_