

Dear Parent(s),

To help develop a continuing interest in science, all students entering grades 5-8 will be required to visit a science related-museum during the summer vacation. There are many options from which to choose in the metropolitan area, including:

- American Museum of Natural History (New York, NY)
- New York Hall of Science (Queens, NY)
- Cradle of Aviation (Garden City, NY)
- Science Museum of Long Island (Plandome Manor, NY)
- Long Island Aquarium (Riverhead, NY)
- Queens Botanical Garden (Flushing, NY)
- New York Botanical Garden (Bronx, NY)

These are given as examples. If you are taking a trip outside the New York area, there are many science-related museums in other states. For example, Liberty Science Center is just across the Hudson River in Jersey City.

Please have your child write up a short report (approximately 200 words, either handwritten or typed) describing some exhibit or subject area that particularly appealed to them. Along with the text please have your child include a selfie in front of their favorite exhibit or a picture of them at the museum. The project will be due on the first day of school in September. I believe your child will find this assignment both entertaining and informative.

I look forward to teaching your child this coming year.

Have a safe and happy summer!

Ms Rooney