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2014 FINAL REPORT

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North Carolina Science Festival is a statewide two-week celebration of STEM — science, technology, engineering and mathematics — with community-based events hosted by libraries, parks, colleges, museums and other sites.

Founded in 2010 by Morehead Planetarium and Science Center at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, the Festival has served over 700,000 participants of all ages since its inception. Festival events include expos, science talks, lab tours, nature experiences, exhibits, performances and hands-on activities. These events highlight the educational, cultural and economic impact of STEM in North Carolina.

The Festival is made possible through generous support from leading business and government partners and through the participation of dozens of event hosts across the state.

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A photograph showing a woman in a bright green shirt assisting a man and a young boy with a bottle rocket launch. They are sitting on the grass in front of a large brick building. The woman is holding the rocket, which is a plastic bottle attached to a launch pad. The man and boy are looking at the rocket with interest. The background shows a large brick building with many windows and some trees.

A volunteer at UNC Charlotte's Science and Technology Expo assists attendees with a bottle rocket launch.

What's NEW?

This year, the Festival expanded its support for event hosts and other affiliates through several new initiatives: **an event sponsorship program** to provide financial support, **a series of webinars** to share best practices and a **marketing**

assistance program to foster expanded media coverage in targeted locations.

The Festival expanded its promotional activities, too, adding statewide advertising messages distributed

through the Internet and mobile networks and announcing Festival dates with billboards on I-40/I-85.

The Festival also earned national recognition when it was selected as one of

four science festivals to collaborate on a National Science Foundation sponsored project. As the nation's first statewide science festival, North Carolina Science Festival has a tremendous impact!

By the NUMBERS

PARTICIPATION BREAKDOWN

Event Attendance **178,576**

K-12 Event Attendance **33,425**

Star Parties Attendance **3,642** in NC and **258** in SC

Branded Year-Round Program Attendance **9,143**

On-air / Online Program participation **108,745**

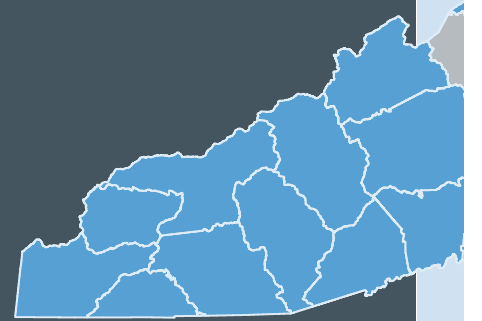
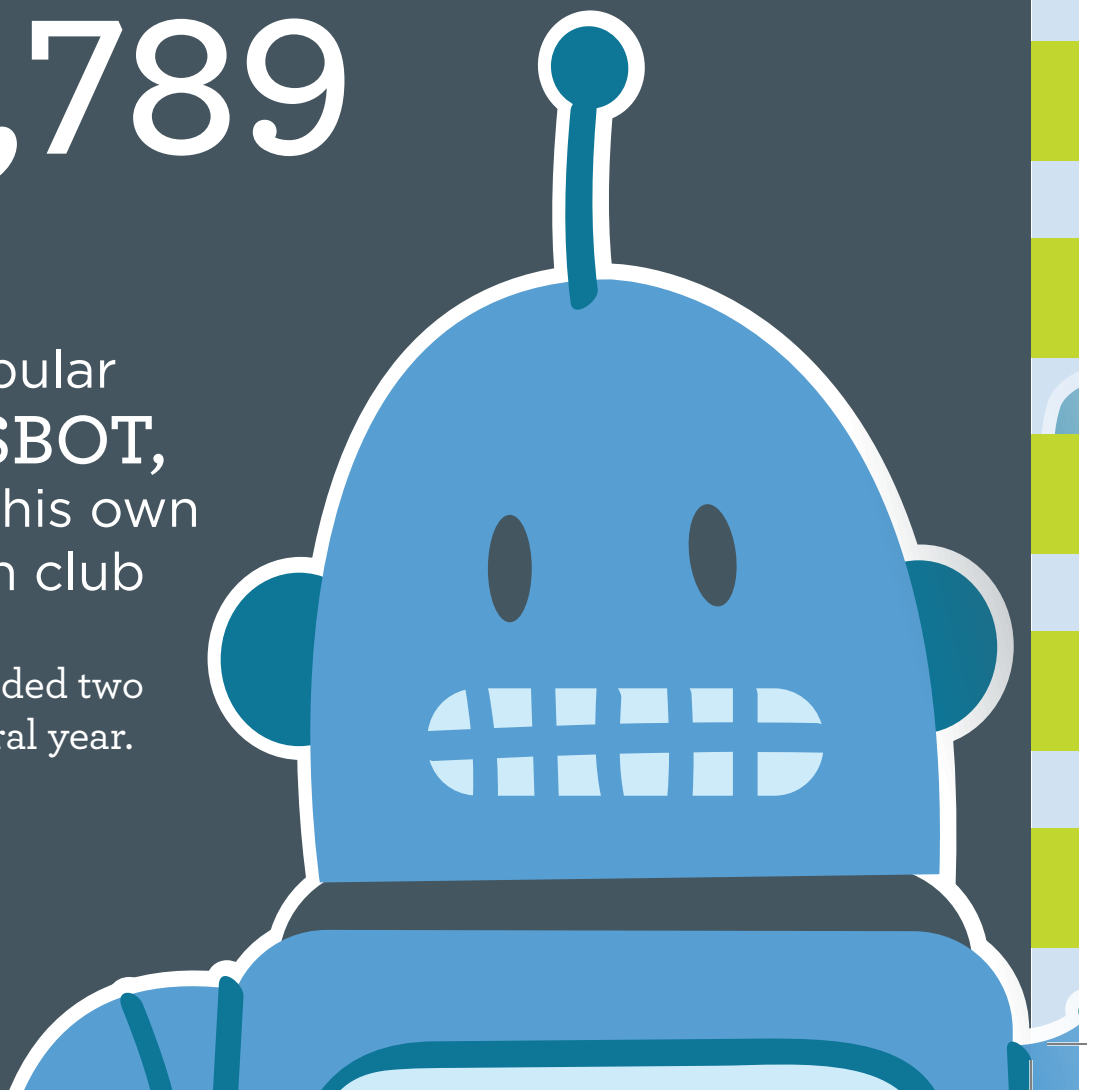
TOTAL PARTICIPATION

333,789

1 wildly popular
SPOKESBOT,
now with his own
official fan club

The **Kelvin Fan Club** added two
members in its inaugural year.

BioNetwork
Julie Rhodes



Events in

95

of North Carolina's
100 COUNTIES

401 public events

271 event partners

2,472 publicly engaged scientists

3,259 volunteers

108 Folt Science
Nights

55 Invite-A-Scientist

14 Science
Spotlights

EVENTS
HOSTED

30 NC Gravity Games
Participating Schools

111 Carolina STEM
Challenge

17 Event Sponsorships
Awarded

Support for Science STATEWIDE

North Carolina Science Festival continues to lead the way in increasing the accessibility of science across the state.

A student of North Shelby School shows off the result of her fingerprinting activity at Folt Science Day. Photo courtesy Allison Hodges.

North Carolina Science Festival provides curricula and other resources to elementary, middle and high schools for interactive science programs. Folt Science Night (grades K-5), Invite-A-Scientist (grades 6-8) and Science Spotlight (grades 9-12) served 167 schools in 2014.

FOLT SCIENCE NIGHT

Parents and children celebrated science together at Folt Science Night (FSN) programs for families, hosted for 108 elementary schools across North Carolina. With support from an anonymous donor, 75 of these elementary schools were selected to receive free FSN event kits. Each kit contained supplies for

13 different hands-on science activities and demonstrations — from "Stomp Rockets" to "Garden in a Glove."

INVITE-A-SCIENTIST

Fifty-five classrooms in 49 middle schools across North Carolina hosted guest scientists for hands-on science activities with students. The scientists volunteered their time to explain how they

prepared for their careers, what they do in a typical day and why their work is important. Invite-A-Scientist sessions helped students understand more about the scientific process and introduced students to new concepts of "what a scientist looks like."

SCIENCE SPOTLIGHT

This year, North Carolina Science Festival introduced a new initiative for high schools: Science Spotlight, which challenges students and their teachers to explore a

current science issue through research and discussion. For 2014, Science Spotlight offered a choice of two current science issues: nuclear energy or fracking. Each class chose an issue, read articles about the issue, considered different viewpoints and held a discussion. Some classes added a teacher-moderated online chat with a scientist. Fourteen classes participated in the pilot Science Spotlight program.



The STEM Open House at Rowan-Cabarrus Community College provided opportunities for the public to try hands-on science. *Photo courtesy Paula Dibley.*

Middle schools and high schools are eligible to participate in special STEM-themed competitions through North Carolina Science Festival. The competitions help teachers and students explore STEM concepts (science, technology, engineering and math), encourage creativity and promote teamwork.

CAROLINA STEM CHALLENGE

Carolina Biological sponsored the Carolina STEM Challenge and provided kits to 111 classrooms to conduct their own STEM Challenge activities (either the Paint Stirrer Catapult challenge, the Mousetrap Car challenge or the Battery Dilemma challenge). After

completing the STEM challenge activities, teams submitted videos to report their results. Winning teams received Carolina Biological supplies for their classrooms.

NORTH CAROLINA GRAVITY GAMES

How fast can a gravity-powered, “soapbox derby”-style race car travel? Teams from 30

classrooms received model-size kits to prototype race cars for the North Carolina Gravity Games. Each team tested its prototype and produced a video to report its results, and

10 teams were selected to receive full-size kits to build their race cars. They also received travel stipends to compete in the Gravity Games, held April 5 in Lenoir.

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Although North Carolina Science Festival is most visible for two weeks during April, its work continues throughout the year. The Festival works with many organizations to provide support for science at the community level. Some of its work is directly related to Festival events, but the Festival also works with community leaders to include science in policy decisions that affect education, environment and commerce.

NORTH CAROLINA SCIENCE SUMMIT

North Carolina Science Summit is a collaborative effort by more than 20 organizations with a shared goal: To make North Carolina the “Science State.” Its work is coordinated by the NC Pathways Partnership.

In cooperation with North Carolina Science Festival, the Summit hosted regional meetings during late 2013 and early 2014. In April 2014, the Summit hosted its second annual statewide gathering and expanded the footprint of this event through interactive simulcasts in each region.

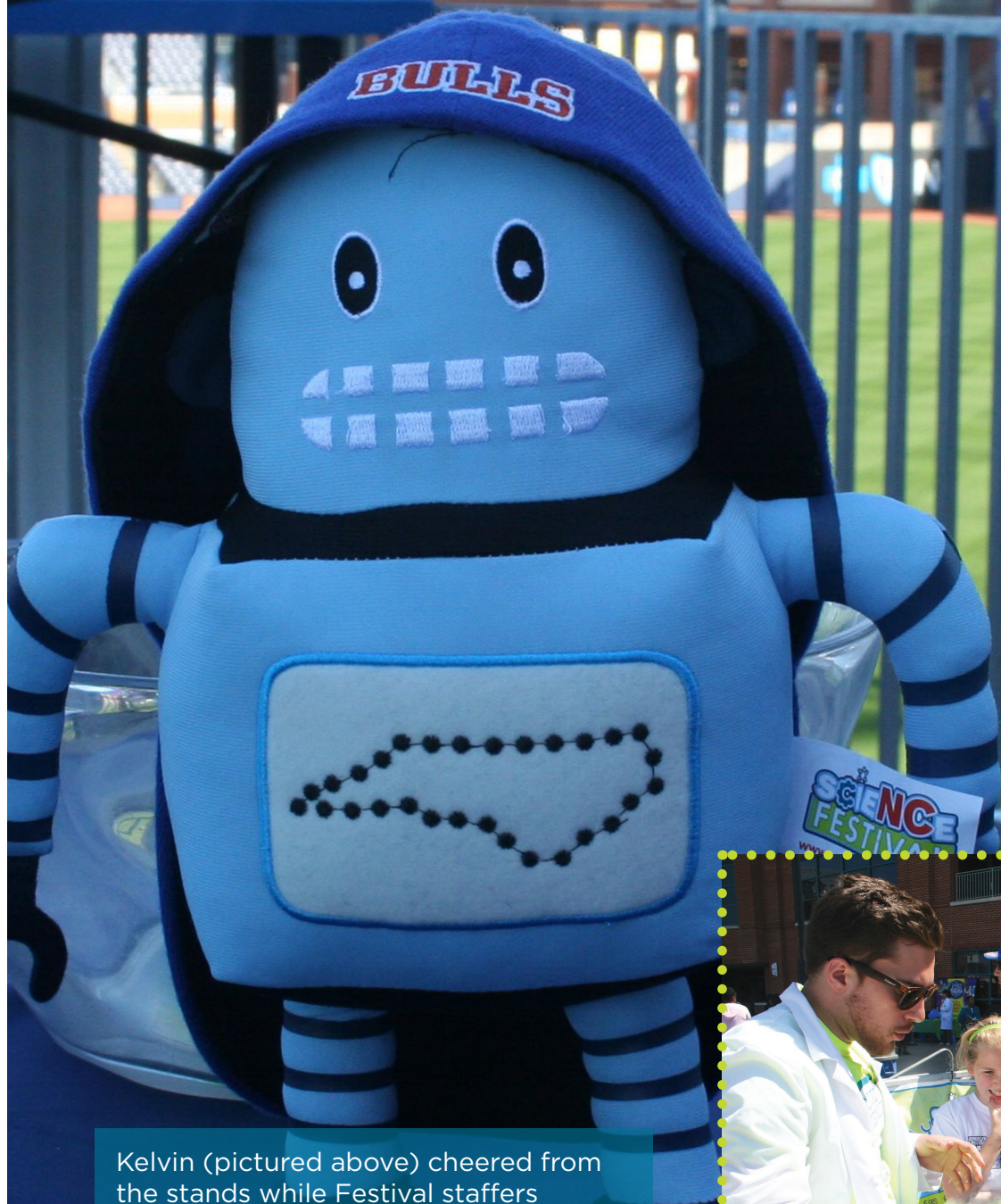
EVENT SPONSORSHIPS

Seventeen event hosts received financial support to present free Festival events through North Carolina Science Festival’s new event sponsorship program. The Festival received 31 applications for event sponsorships and chose recipients to expand the Festival’s educational value, audiences served and geographic diversity.

The event sponsorships helped event hosts recruit special programming (including guest speakers), purchase materials and supplies, provide resources for volunteers and promote events to larger audiences.

Science and SPORTS

Each year, North Carolina Science Festival selects a unique perspective for connecting science with new and different audiences. The Festival identified sports as that perspective for 2014.

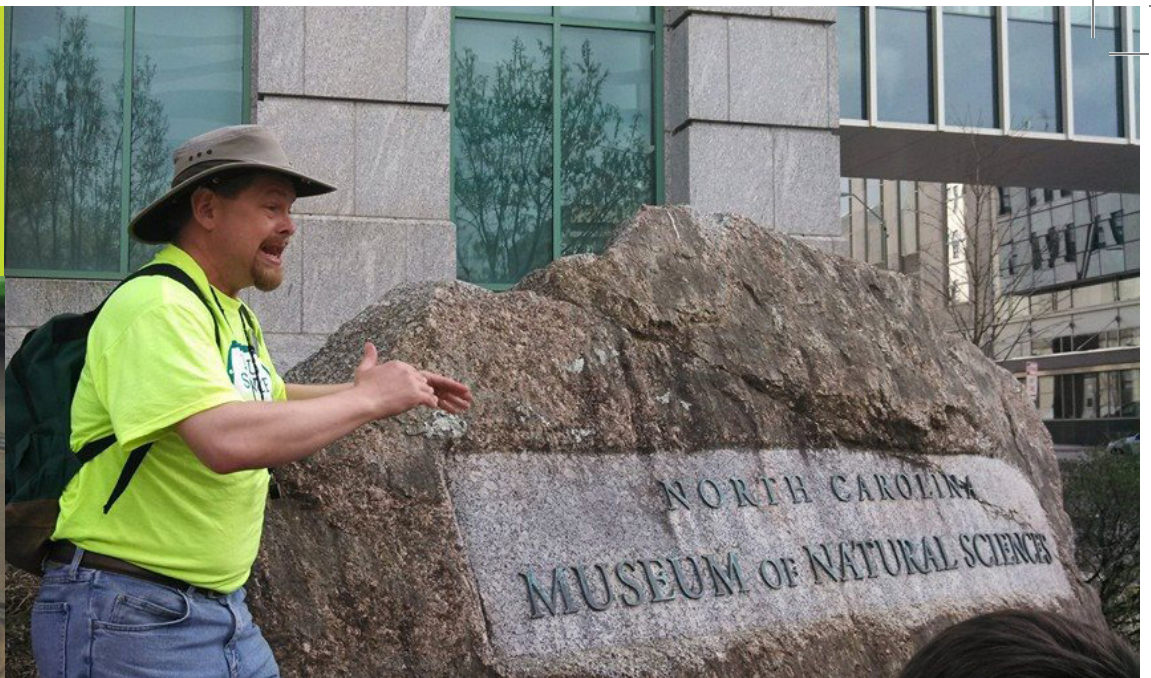


Kelvin (pictured above) cheered from the stands while Festival staffers presented live science demonstrations during Education Days for baseball games at the Durham Bulls Athletic Park (pictured right).



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Festival staffers presented live science demonstrations on the south plaza of Raleigh's PNC Arena before Carolina Hurricanes hockey games.



Urban hikers completed the geology-themed Raleigh Rockin' Walkin' Tour (pictured above) and runners raced the Foothills Farmers Market 5K and Farm Tour in Kings Mountain.

North Carolina's racing history was reinterpreted by the Gravity Games soapbox-style races in Lenoir and the Zucchini 500 — featuring race car models crafted from fresh vegetables — in Kannapolis (pictured above).



Greensboro's Proehlific Park took a new approach to obstacle courses with the Mad Scientist Revenge Race (pictured above).

Morehead Planetarium and Science Center hosted The Science of Sports, a presentation by ESPN Sport Science host and creator John Brenkus (pictured above). Time Warner Cable News, WUNC-TV and WUNC-FM broadcast The Science of Sports content to a statewide audience before the event.

How do astronauts stay fit during space flights? Pisgah Astronomical Research Institute (PARI) in Rosman shared those secrets in its Fit for Space program.

Surfers in Carolina Beach explained Surf-N-Science. Other programs offered on-the-water adventures, too: a canoe-based Statewide Star Party at Cliffs of the Neuse State Park and a canoe exploration of High Point City Lake Park.

The Big PICTURE

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Big Toy Day
Piedmont Triad
Farmers' Market

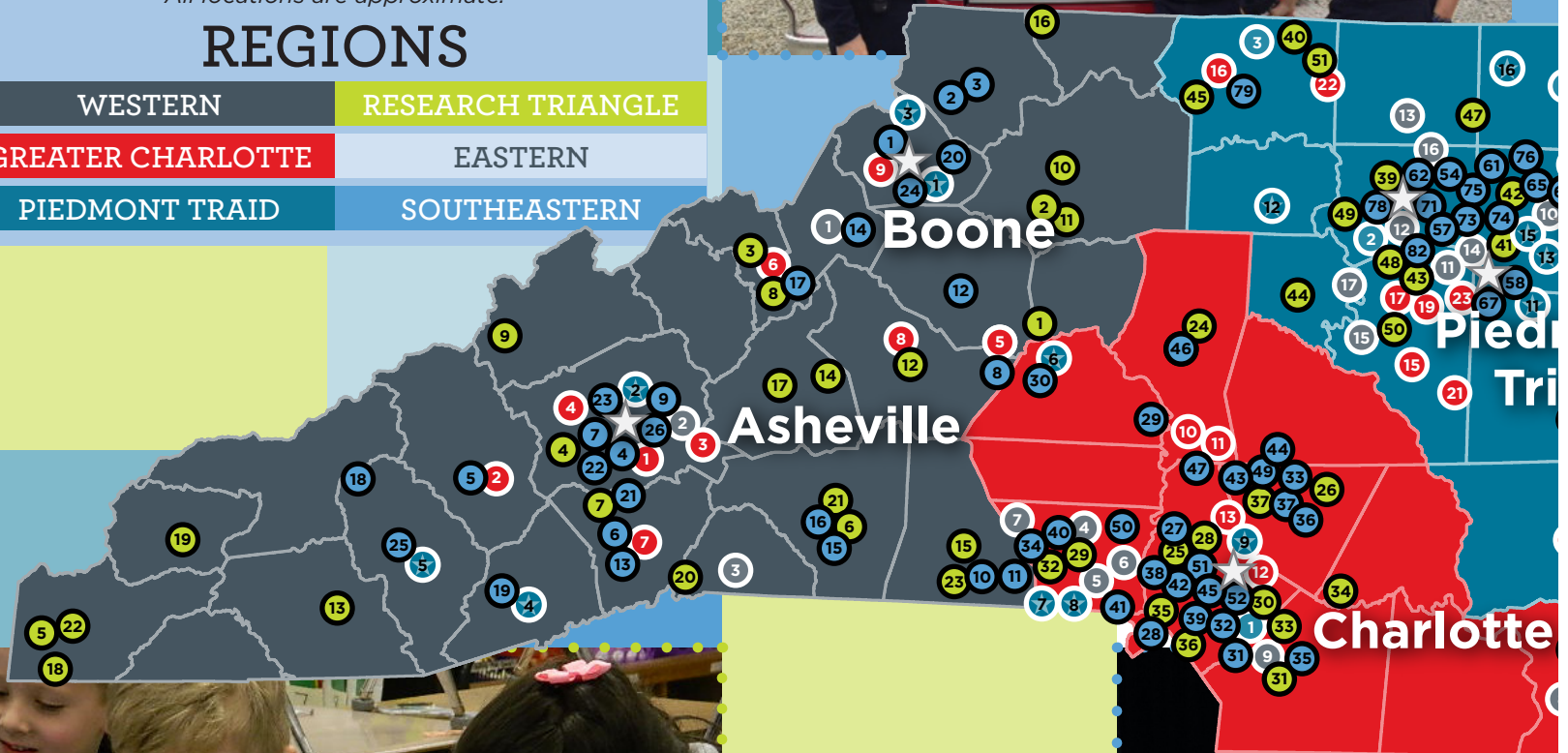
LEGEND

- # Public event
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- # Invite-A-Scientist
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- # Statewide Star Party
listing on p. 16
- # Science Spotlight
listing on p. 19
- # Folt Science Night
listing on p. 17
- # Gravity Games
listing on p. 19

All locations are approximate.

REGIONS

WESTERN	RESEARCH TRIANGLE
GREATER CHARLOTTE	EASTERN
PIEDMONT TRAD	SOUTHEASTERN



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Folt Science Night
Zeb Vance Elementary

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An Evening with
Carl Zimmer
UNC Charlotte



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Lean In: Women In
Science
North Carolina School of
Science and Math

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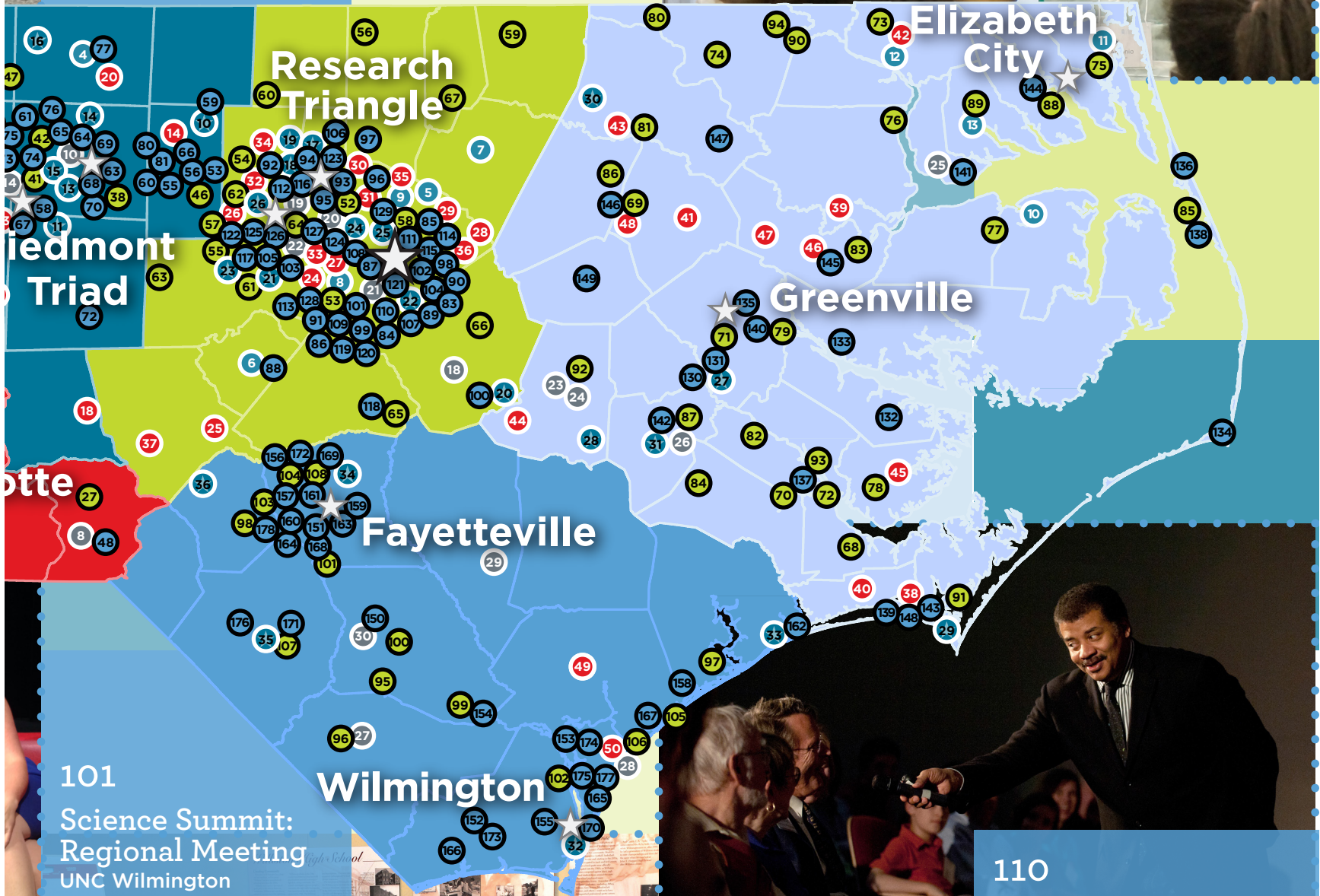
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Education Day at
the Durham Bulls
Athletic Park
Durham Bulls
Baseball Club

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STEMville Science
Symposium
Morehead Planetarium and
Science Center



94
Fayetteville
Triad

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Charlotte

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Wilmington

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Science Summit:
Regional Meeting
UNC Wilmington



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State of the
Sciences: Neil
deGrasse Tyson
NC State University
College of Sciences



PUBLIC EVENTS

Event Host, City, Event

Events **highlighted in green** received support through the NC Science Festival Event Sponsorship program.

WESTERN

1 Appalachian State University, Boone, ASU STEM Expo; Know Watts Cooking: The Science of Energy Efficient Cooking; Watauga SumoBot Competition; Technology and Understanding: How New Tools Shape Scientific Thinking

2 Ashe County Homeschool Group, West Jefferson, SciDay: Homeschool Science Fair

7 Buncombe County Schools Curriculum Dept., Asheville, Explore the Universe in the GeoDome

8 Cleveland Community College, Shelby, NC Manufacturing Awareness Week: Career Day 2014

9 Charles D. Owen Middle School, Swannanoa, Science in Action

10 Cleveland Community College, Shelby, Manufacturing Day at CCC

11 Foothills Farmers' Market, Kings Mountain, Foothills Farmers Market Kickoff, 5K and Farm Tour

12 Google, Lenoir, NC Gravity Games

13 Hands On! - A Child's Gallery, Hendersonville, The Nano Science of Camping Gear; Nano Days 2014

18 North Carolina Society for Clinical Laboratory Science, Cherokee, Carolinas Clinical Connection: Student Bowl

19 Pisgah Astronomical Research Institute, Rosman, Evening at PARI: Fit for Space

20 The Children's Playhouse, Boone, Playhouse BuildFest

21 The Mountain Outreach Office of The Science House of NCSU, Fletcher, 1st Annual ESTEAM EXPO

22 The North Carolina Arboretum, Asheville, Mountain Science Expo: JUST DO IT!

23 UNC Asheville, Asheville, Solar Observing on the UNC Asheville Quad

24 Watauga County Library, Boone, Slime Fest with Gloop, Glarch and Oobleck

25 Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, WCU STEAM Expo

26 WNC Nature Center, Asheville, Science Stroll: Family Fun and Fitness

GREATER CHARLOTTE

27 Carolina Raptor Center, Huntersville, Young Veterinarians' Day; Spring PhotoWILD

28 Carowinds, Charlotte, Carowinds Education Days

29 Catawba County Library, Sherrills Ford, The Amazing Chemistry of Dry Ice

30 Catawba Science Center, Hickory, Catawba Science Center Science Expo

31 Central Piedmont Community College, Charlotte, NC Manufacturing Awareness Week: Advanced Manufacturing Day

32 Charlotte Preparatory School, Charlotte, Blast Off Rocket Launch

33 City of Kannapolis, Kannapolis, Zucchini 500

34 Catawba Valley Community College, Hickory, NC Manufacturing Awareness Week: The EXTREME STEM Tour

35 Cold Blooded Encounters Inc., Monroe, Cold-Blooded Encounters

36 Coltrane-Webb STEM Elem. School, Concord, Engineering For All

37 Concord Branch, Cabarrus County Public Library, Concord, Ocean Explorations; Old Knowledge and New Knowledge with author Robin Sloan

38 Discovery Place, Charlotte, Reptile and Amphibian Day; Inside Out: A Day of Dissection; Reptile Fun; A Celebration of the Science of the Very, Very Small; Amphibian Fun; Comet Creations; Big Screen, Big Science; Bird Lore and More

39 E-Corps Expeditions, Charlotte, Get STEM-Ed. with E-Corps Expeditions

40 Gaston College, Dallas, sciVisit 2014

41 Grier Middle 6th Grade Teachers, Gastonia, Grier MS 6th Grade STEM Conference

42 ImaginOn, Charlotte Mecklenburg Library, Charlotte, Science Family Fun Night

43 Kannapolis Branch, Cabarrus County Public Library, Kannapolis, Spy Science; Eggs-perimental Drop Competition; Electrifying Encounters

44 Kannapolis City Schools, Kannapolis, Keeping Kannapolis Green

45 Learn with Laughter, Charlotte, Fun with STEM

46 Mitchell Community College, Statesville, NC Manufacturing Awareness Week: Advanced Manufacturing Day

47 Project for innovation, Energy & Sustainability (PIES), Davidson, The Green Idea Factory Competition at PIES



Vicki Henderson Randolph ▸ NC Science Festival

April 8 · 🌐

Kelvin hanging out with some of the young homeschool scientists at the Ashe County SciDay today.



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3 Ashe County Public Library, West Jefferson, Animal Circuits; Story Wizards: Working with Clay Animation

4 Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College, Asheville, NC Manufacturing Awareness Week: What Do We Make in a Day

5 Bethel Middle School, Waynesville, Science and Community Night

6 Blue Ridge Community College, Flat Rock, NC Manufacturing Awareness Week: Experience Blue Ridge

14 Heritage Homeschoolers, Linville, 2nd Annual Homeschool Science Fair

15 Isothermal Community College, Spindale, Isothermal Science & Technology Expo

16 KidSenses Children's InterACTIVE Museum, Rutherfordton, Outer Space Day

17 Mayland Community College, Spruce Pine, NC Manufacturing Awareness Week: Advanced Manufacturing Awareness Day



48 Rockingham Middle School, Rockingham, Introduction to Science Olympiad!

49 Rowan-Cabarrus Community College, Kannapolis, Rowan-Cabarrus Community College STEM Open House

50 Schiele Museum of Natural History, Gastonia, The Earth's Greenest Heroes!

51 Spandex City, Charlotte, Science and Superheroes Contest

52 UNC Charlotte, Charlotte, An Evening with Carl Zimmer, Science Writer; Seeing the World Through Genomics, Panel Discussion featuring Carl Zimmer; Opening of Sustain Me Baby, Art Exhibition; Public Talk with Amy Shira Teitel, Spaceflight Historian; Science Film and Discussion: Contagion; Science Film and Discussion: Invisible Man; UNC Charlotte Science and Technology Expo; Science Film and Discussion: Chasing Ice; Science Film and Discussion: Jurassic Park; Organic Approaches to Solar Energy; Defending Science Education in the Tar Heel State; Architecture and Sustainability; Interactive Computer Systems with Mary Lou Maher

PIEDMONT TRIAD

53 Alamance Community College, Graham, Alamance Community College Open House

54 Atkins Academic & Technology High School, Winston-Salem, Atkins STEM Careers Fair

55 Blessed Sacrament School, Burlington, Calling all Vermiculturists to Blessed Sacrament School

56 Children's Museum of Alamance County, Graham, Butterfly Festival

57 Children's Museum of Winston-Salem, Winston-Salem, Brain Power Day; Let's Move Monday!

58 Cline Observatory, Guilford Technical Community College, Jamestown, Transits of Venus Over the Centuries

59 Conservators' Center, Burlington, Twilight and Adventure Tours at the Conservators' Center

60 Elon University, Elon, Burlington Science Expo

61 Emerging Ecology, Inc., Greensboro, Universe Story Walk

62 Gateway Environmental Initiative, Winston-Salem, Map It!

63 Greensboro Children's Museum, Greensboro, Young Inventor's Fair

64 Greensboro Science Center, Greensboro, Party for the Planet

65 Guilford College, Greensboro, Guided Hike through Guilford College Woods; Astrophysics: The Cross Link Between Past, Present and Future

66 Harris Educational, Burlington, 3rd Annual Burlington Mini Maker Faire 2014

67 High Point University School of Education, High Point, STEM in Action: Come Build with Us

68 Joint School of Nanoscience and Nanoengineering, Greensboro, Gateway to Science

69 Kathleen Clay Edwards Family Branch Library, Greensboro, Earth Day Celebration

70 North Carolina Science Olympiad, Greensboro, North Carolina Science Olympiad: Guilford Elementary Tournament

71 North Carolina Society of Clinical Laboratory Science, Winston-Salem, Lab Explorers: A Virtual Hospital Experience; Lab Explorers: H.O.W. Mobile Clinic; Lab Explorers!

72 North Carolina Zoo, Asheboro, Grand Opening of kidZone at the NC Zoo

73 Paul J. Ciener Botanical Garden, Kernersville, Roots of our Nutrition

74 Piedmont Triad Farmers' Market, Colfax, Big Toy Day

75 Piedmont Environmental Center, High Point, Following Water

76 Proehlific Park, Greensboro, Proehlific Park Science Fair; Mad Scientist Revenge Race

NC Science Festival was mentioned in a post



Conservators' Center added 2 new photos.

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March 31 · 🌐

Kelvin knew he needed to get his head in the game to get ready for the NC Science Festival, but this wasn't quite what he had in mind! He learned the hard way that New Guinea singing dogs are exceptionally curious and friendly animals—especially his new buddy, Samara. He also learned that singers have flexible spines, which allow them to maneuver with more dexterity than domestic dogs. They can even climb trees!

If you're a science-lover or an animal-lover (or both), visit www.zerve.com/BeWildenNC to join us with family and friends on a specially themed Adventure or Twilight Tour on April 11, 12, or 13 as part of this two-week-long, 500-mile-wide celebration of science, technology, engineering and mathematics in North Carolina.



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77 Rockingham Community College, Wentworth, NC
Manufacturing Awareness Week: Rockingham Career Day

78 SciWorks, Winston-Salem, NC
SciTech Spring Mini Two-Day Camp; Star Party at SciWorks; Biotechnology Day; NanoDay: The Biggest Event for the Smallest Science; SciFest at SciWorks

79 Surry Community College, Dobson, NC
Manufacturing Awareness Week: Advanced Manufacturing Day

80 Tectonic Plates: Alamance County's Science Cafe, Elon, NC
Tectonic Plates: Alamance County's Science Cafe

81 The HERP Project, Burlington, NC
The HERP Project Celebration

82 Winston-Salem State University Dept. of Mathematics, Winston-Salem, NC
Elementary Mathematics Invitational

RESEARCH TRIANGLE

83 Albemarle Pamlico National Estuary Partnership, Raleigh, NC
The Pocosin Project: a Peek at Pocosins

84 All About Beer Magazine, Raleigh, NC
The Science of Beer at the World Beer Festival

85 BioNetwork Capstone Center, Raleigh, NC
Free Sci-Fi Film & Mythbusting Session: War of the Worlds

86 Carolina Brewing Company, Holly Springs, NC
Carolina Brewing Company Tour

87 Carolina Hurricanes, Raleigh, NC
Carolina Hurricanes South Plaza Party

88 Central Carolina Community College, Sanford, NC
Manufacturing Awareness Week: Instructional Day

NC Science Festival was mentioned in a post



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April 4 · 🌐

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With good weekend weather on tap, you'll want to spend some time outdoors. WRAL Go Ask Mom has a guide to the best family friendly fun including NC Science Festival and Sarah P. Duke Gardens: <http://www.wral.com/weekend-plans-science-festival-literary-festival-dirt-day-more/13522974/>



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89 City of Raleigh Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Dept., Raleigh, NC
Worm Compost Harvest Party; Backyard Composting Workshop

90 City of Raleigh Solid Waste Services, Raleigh, NC
Recycling Center Tour; Landfill Safari

91 Duke Energy-Harris Energy and Environmental Center, New Hill, NC
Exploring Energy and the Environment

92 Duke Institute for Brain Sciences, Durham, NC
Reading the Past: Mind, Brain and Archaeology

93 Durham Bulls Baseball Club, Durham, NC
Education Day at the Durham Bulls

94 Durham Technical Community College, Durham, NC
Durham Tech Presents Best-Selling Science Author Mary Roach

95 Engineering World Health, Durham, NC
Designing Medical Equipment for the Developing World

96 Falls Lake State Recreation Area, Wake Forest, NC
Mudscapes

97 Granville County Library System, South Branch, Creedmoor, NC
Bubble Science; Experiments with Mirrors

98 Historic Oakwood Cemetery, Raleigh, NC
Cemetery Sleuths: People Are Dying to Try It!

99 Historic Yates Mill County Park, Raleigh, NC
Simple Machines Field Day at Yates Mill

100 Howell Woods Environmental Learning Center, Four Oaks, NC
Howell Woodstock

101 Institute for Emerging Issues, Raleigh, NC
North Carolina Science Summit

102 Johnston Community College, Clayton, NC
JCC Family Science Discovery Day

103 Jordan Lake Environment Education, Apex, NC
Eagle Watch Boat Tour

104 Marbles Kids Museum, Raleigh, NC
Leaping Lemurs!; Spring into Science!; NanoDays at Marbles Kids Museum; Energy Innovators: Green Energy Workshop; Bubbleology; STEMOSPHERE Opening Celebration; Gadgets and Gizmos; Family Science Fair

105 Morehead Planetarium and Science Center, Chapel Hill, NC
Science on the Sundial; Water in Our World Exhibit Open House; STEMville Science Symposium; Carolina Science Cafe: Electrifying the Brain; The Science of Sports featuring ESPN's Sports Science Host John Brenkus; Get a Clue!; UNC Science Expo

106 Museum of Life and Science, Durham, NC
Museum After Hours: Worldwide Space Party; Dino Egg Hunt; Conoce a un(a) Científico(a) / Meet a Scientist

107 NC Academy of Science, Raleigh, NC
North Carolina Academy of Science Annual Meeting

108 NC Museum of Art, Raleigh, NC
The Science of Art Conservation

109 NC State University College of Veterinary Medicine, Raleigh, NC
Open House at NCSU's College of Veterinary Medicine

110 NC State University College of Sciences, Raleigh, NC
State of the Sciences: Neil deGrasse Tyson; The History of the Universe with John Mather

111 NC State University Sustainability Office, Raleigh, NC
Earth Fair at NC State University

112 Neill's Taekwondo and Fitness, Chapel Hill, NC
Family Martial Arts Science

113 New Hope Valley Railway, New Hill, NC
The Science of Trains

114 North Carolina Geological Survey, Raleigh, NC
Raleigh Rockin' Walkin' Tour

115 North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences, Raleigh, NC
Rational Comedy for an Irrational Planet; Open Minds: Teen Science Café; Climate Science Night; Triangle SciTech Expo

116 North Carolina School of Science and Math, Durham, [Lean In: Women in Science](#)

117 North Carolina Science Leadership Association, Chapel Hill, NC Science Leadership Association 25th Anniversary Celebration

118 North Carolina Science Olympiad, Erwin, North Carolina Science Olympiad: Harnett Elementary Tournament

119 North Carolina Science Olympiad, Apex, North Carolina Science Olympiad: Wake Middle Creek Elementary Tournament

120 North Carolina Science Olympiad, Raleigh, North Carolina Science Olympiad: Wake Smith Elementary Tournament

121 North Carolina Science Olympiad, Raleigh, North Carolina Science Olympiad: Wake Raleigh Charter Elementary Tournament

122 Northside Elem. School, Chapel Hill, Northside Elementary STEM Day

123 Triangle Materials Research Science and Engineering Center, Duke University, Durham, Mad Materials: Strange Polymers, Crazy Colloids, and Mad Materials Science

124 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park, Sustainability on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Research Triangle Park Campus; Air Fair

125 UNC Students for the Exploration and Development of Space, Chapel Hill, Yuri's Night: Chapel Hill

126 UNC University Libraries, Chapel Hill, Rooms of Wonder: From Wunderkammer to Museum

127 UNC-TV, anywhere you have an Internet connection, Astronomy In April: Attend a Live UNC-TV Screening & Discussion Online

128 Wake County Parks, Recreation and Open Space, New Hill, Lessons in Flight; Science Fun with Nature Tots & Forest Friends; Longleaf Festival

129 William B. Umstead State Park, Raleigh, Build-A-Boat; Floating Hoot: An Owl Canoe Safari

EASTERN

130 A Time For Science Nature and Science Learning Center, Grifton, Robox Sumo; This is for the Birds!

131 Boys and Girls Club, Dr. Ross Unit, Ayden, Folt Science Day

132 Aurora Fossil Museum Foundation, Inc., Aurora, Identifying the Fossils of Eastern North Carolina; Searching for Fossils in Eastern North Carolina

133 Beaufort County Community College, Washington, NC Manufacturing Awareness Week: Campus Tours at Beaufort County CC; Campus Tours for High School Students and the General Public; Career and Job Fair at Beaufort County CC; Free Day at Beaufort County CC—A Day to Explore Your Options for College

134 Cape Hatteras Elem. School STEM Committee, Buxton, [Cape Hatteras Elementary School Science Night](#)

135 Center for Biodiversity at East Carolina University, Greenville, ECU's Earth Day Expo

136 Children at Play, Inc., Kitty Hawk, Egg Drop Competition 2014

137 Craven Community College, New Bern, Advanced Manufacturing Tours at Craven CC

138 Dare County Schools, Manteo, [Create Your Future With STEM](#)

139 Fort Macon State Park, Atlantic Beach, Fort Macon Amateur Radio Special Event Station

145 Riverside Middle School, Williamston, STEMulating Green at Riverside MS

146 Rocky Mount Children's Museum & Science Center, Rocky Mount, Owl Pellet Autopsy; Deep Sky Excursions; Spring Break Star Party; Sidewalk Astronomy



140 GO-Science, Greenville, GO-Science Expo: Exploring Science in Eastern North Carolina

141 Historic Edenton State Historic Site, Edenton, The Science Behind the Eighteenth Century Home; Family Fun Explorers: The Science Behind the Eighteenth Century Home

142 Neuseway Planetarium Health & Science Museum, Kinston, Ooey Gooley Science Saturday

143 North Carolina Maritime Museum in Beaufort, Beaufort, Beaufort's Dolphins; The Astounding Oyster; Explore the Rachel Carson Reserve; Ports and Pilots

144 Port Discover, Elizabeth City, Science Cafe: Bird's the Word; [Bird's the Word: Second Saturday Science](#); Bird's the Word at Port Discover; Bird's the Word: Walkabout

147 Sylvan Heights Bird Park, Scotland Neck, Lookiting; Critter Feeders

148 UNC Institute of Marine Sciences, Beaufort, [Beneath the Waves Film Festival](#)

149 Vollis Simpson Whirligig Park & Museum and Imagination Station, Wilson, Experiment with Whirligig Science

SOUTHEASTERN

150 Bladen Community College, Dublin, NC Manufacturing Awareness Week: 2nd Annual Academic Fair

151 Bordeaux Branch, Cumberland County Public Library & Information Center, Fayetteville, Is It Magic or Science?; Magnets, Magnets!; Storm the Castle! Build Your Own Catapult; Building Blocks of Fun; What's That Smell? Our Senses at Work



152 Brunswick Community College, *Bolivia, NC* Manufacturing Awareness Week: Junior Jumpstart and Senior Showcase

153 Cape Fear Museum, *Wilmington,* Incredible Insects; Science in the Galleries Day; NanoDays! Learning Center

154 Cape Fear River Watch, *Riegelwood,* Community Rain Garden Day

155 Carolina Beach State Park, *Carolina Beach,* Biological Wonderland Hike; Carnivorous Plant Hike

156 Carvers Creek State Park, *Spring Lake,* Bottle Biology

157 Cliffdale Regional Branch, *Cumberland County Public Library & Information Center,* Fayetteville, Why Is THAT Happening?; Magnets! Magnets! Magnets!; Snakes!!!; Create an Aircraft; The Science of Colors; What Makes That Sound? Pajama Story Time; Teen Science: How Did That Happen?; Building Blocks of Fun

158 Dixon Elementary School, *Holly Ridge,* Folt Family Science

159 East Regional Branch: Cumberland County Public Library & Information Center, *Fayetteville,* All Things H₂O; What's Up in the Nighttime Sky?; Wiggly, Squirmy Worms; Kites for Kids

160 Fayetteville Technical Community College Physical Sciences Dept., *Fayetteville,* The Hot and Cold of It Demonstration Show

161 Fayetteville Technical Community College, *Fayetteville,* NC Manufacturing Awareness Week: High School Campus Tour at Fayetteville Tech; Lunchbox Speaker Series: Advancement in Machining Technology; STEM Bus Visit

162 Hammocks Beach State Park, *Swansboro,* Marsh Detectives

163 Headquarters Library: Cumberland County Public Library & Information Center, *Fayetteville,* Robotics and Animation; Balloons, Magnets and Marbles; Body Science: Story Time and Puppet Show; Explosive Science!; LEGO Block Party

164 Hope Mills Branch: Cumberland County Library & Information Center, *Hope Mills,* What's That Smell? Our Senses At Work; Tween Tuesday: Sticking with Magnets; Tween Tuesday: Be a Computer Programmer!; Spectacular Science: Science Experiments You Can Try; Build It Workshop: Marble Run; Get Revved Up With Preschool Physics!

165 North Carolina Coastal Reserve and National Estuarine Research Reserve, *Wilmington,* Terrapin Tally 2014

166 North Carolina Science Olympiad, *Shalotte,* North Carolina Science Olympiad: Brunswick Elementary Tournament

167 North Carolina Science Olympiad, *Hampstead,* North Carolina Science Olympiad: Pender Elementary Tournament

168 North Carolina Science Olympiad, *Hope Mills,* North Carolina Science Olympiad: Cumberland County

169 North Regional Library: Cumberland County Public Library & Information Center, *Fayetteville,* Recycled Earth Day Crafts; Magnet Mania; Beaver Ecology; Is It Magic or Science?; Fabulous Fossils

170 Odysea Surf School, *Carolina Beach,* Surf-N-Science

171 Robeson Community College, *Lumberton,* NC Manufacturing Awareness Week: Parent Night; MAW @ RCC

172 Spring Lake Branch Library: Cumberland County Public Library & Information Center, *Spring Lake,* Science of Magnetism

173 Supply Elem, *Supply,* Supply Elem. Science Night

174 The Azalea Festival, *Wilmington,* Science LIVE! at The Azalea Festival

175 The Children's Museum of Wilmington, *Wilmington,* Family Science Night

176 UNC Pembroke, *Pembroke,* Sir Isaac Newton on Stage

177 UNC Wilmington Randall Library: Curriculum Materials Center, *Wilmington,* Literacy Live: Technology & the Five Senses

178 West Regional Branch: Cumberland County Public Library & Information Center, *Fayetteville,* DIY Craft Club: Terrarium; Magnets, Magnets, Magnets!; Sick Science! for Kids; Colorful Story Time with Experiments; Sick Science! for Teens; Sick Science! for Preschoolers

STATEWIDE STAR PARTIES

Event Host, *City,* Event

WESTERN

1 Appalachian State University, *Boone,* Statewide Star Party: Appalachian's Dark Sky Observatory

2 Astronomy Club of Asheville, *Asheville,* Statewide Star Party: UNC Asheville

3 Elk Knob State Park, *Todd,* Statewide Star Party: Elk Knob State Park

4 Pisgah Astronomical Research Institute, *Rosman,* Statewide Star Party: PARI

5 Western Carolina University, *Cullowhee,* Statewide Star Party: Western Carolina University

GREATER CHARLOTTE

6 Catawba Science Center, *Hickory,* Statewide Star Party: Catawba Science Center

7 Crowders Mountain State Park, *Kings Mountain,* Statewide Star Party: Crowders Mountain

8 Schiele Museum of Natural History, *Gastonia,* Statewide Star Party: Schiele Museum

9 UNC Charlotte Observatory, *Charlotte,* Statewide Star Party: UNC Charlotte

PIEDMONT TRIAD

10 Alamance County Recreation and Parks, Burlington, Statewide Star Party: Pleasant Grove Community Center

11 Cline Observatory, Guilford Technical Community College, Jamestown, Statewide Star Party: Cline Observatory

12 Forsyth Astronomical Society, Yadkinville, Statewide Star Party: Forsyth Astronomical Society

13 Greensboro Children's Museum, Greensboro, Statewide Star Party: Greensboro Children's Museum

14 Greensboro Science Center, Greensboro, Statewide Star Party: Greensboro Science Center

15 Kathleen Clay Edwards Family Branch Library, Greensboro, Statewide Star Party: Kathleen Clay Edwards Library

16 Mayo River State Park, Mayodan, Statewide Star Party: Mayo River State Park

RESEARCH TRIANGLE

17 City of Durham Parks and Recreation, Durham, Statewide Star Party: Old North Durham Park

18 Duke University Dept. of Physics, Durham, Statewide Star Party: Duke Teaching Observatory

19 Eno River State Park, Durham, Statewide Star Party: Eno River State Park

20 Howell Woods Environmental Learning Center, Four Oaks, Statewide Star Party: Howell Woodstock

21 Jordan Lake Environment Education, Apex, Statewide Star Party: Jordan Lake Farm

22 Marbles Kids Museum, Raleigh, Statewide Star Party: Marbles Kids Museum

23 Morehead Planetarium and Science Center, Chapel Hill, Statewide Star Party: Jordan Lake Ebenezer Church Recreation Area

24 NCSU Astrophysics Group, Raleigh, Statewide Star Party: Reedy Creek Observatory

25 North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences Praire Ridge Ecostation, Raleigh, Statewide Star Party: Prairie Ridge Ecostation

26 UNC Dept. of Physics & Astronomy, Chapel Hill, Statewide Star Party: Morehead Observatory

EASTERN

27 A Time For Science Nature and Science Learning Center, Grifton, Statewide Star Party: A Time For Science

28 Cliffs of the Neuse State Park, Seven Springs, Statewide Star Party: Canoe Under the Crescent Moon

29 Fort Macon State Park, Atlantic Beach, Statewide Star Party: Fort Macon State Park

30 Medoc Mountain State Park, Hollister, Statewide Star Party: Medoc Mountain

31 Neuseway Nature Park, Kinston, Statewide Star Party: Neuseway Planetarium

SOUTHEASTERN

32 Carolina Beach State Park, Carolina Beach, Statewide Star Party: Carolina Beach State Park

33 Hammocks Beach State Park, Swansboro, Statewide Star Party: Hammocks Beach State Park

34 Methodist University and Fayetteville State University, Fayetteville, Statewide Star Party: Methodist University and Fayetteville State

35 Robeson Planetarium and Science Center, Lumberton, Statewide Star Party: Robeson Planetarium

36 Weymouth Woods Sandhills Nature Preserve, Southern Pines, Statewide Star Party: Weymouth Woods

K-12 EVENTS

FOLT SCIENCE NIGHTS

School, City

All schools are elementary schools unless otherwise specified.

1 Bethlehem, Taylorsville

2 Boomer Ferguson, Boomer

3 Bowman Middle, Bakersville

4 Candler, Candler

5 Cherokee County Schools 21st Century Afterschool Program, Murphy

6 Forest City-Dunbar, Forest City

7 Glenn C. Marlow, Mills River

8 Harris Middle, Spruce Pine

9 Hot Springs, Hot Springs

10 Millers Creek, Millers Creek

11 Moravian Falls, Moravian Falls

12 Morganton Day School, Morganton

13 Mountain View Intermediate, Franklin

14 Nebo, Nebo

15 North Shelby, Shelby

16 Piney Creek, Piney Creek

17 Pleasant Garden, Marion

18 Ranger Elementary. & Middle, Murphy

19 Robbinsville High, Robbinsville

20 Saluda, Saluda

21 Spindale, Spindale

22 The Learning Center, Murphy

23 Township Three, Shelby

24 Cloverleaf, Statesville

25 Druid Hills Academy, Charlotte

26 Jackson Park, Kannapolis

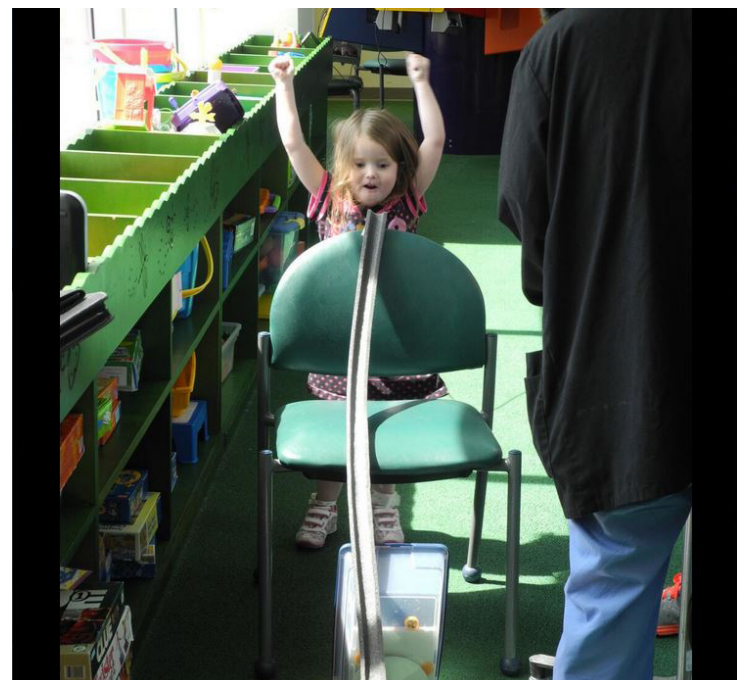
27 Mineral Springs, Ellerbe

28 Morehead STEM Academy, Charlotte

29 Pleasant Ridge, Gaston

30 Queens Grant Community, Mint Hill

31 Rocky River, Monroe



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 33 Stallings, Stallings
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 39 Bolton, Winston-Salem
 40 Flat Rock, Mt. Airy
 41 Florence, High Point
 42 Jefferson, Greensboro
 43 Liberty Drive, Thomasville
 44 Mocksville, Mocksville
 45 Mountain Park, State Road
 46 North Graham, Graham
 47 Pine Hall, Pine Hall
 48 Boys & Girls Club: International Club, Winston-Salem
 49 Boys & Girls Club: Ken Carlson Club, Winston-Salem
 50 Southwest, Lexington
 51 Westfield, Pilot Mountain
 52 Burton Magnet, Durham
 53 Dillard Drive Middle, Raleigh
 54 Efland-Cheeks, Efland
 55 Glenwood, Chapel Hill
 56 Joe Toler Oak Hill, Oxford
 57 Mary Scroggs, Chapel Hill
 58 Millbrook Magnet, Raleigh
 59 Northside, Norlina
 60 Oak Lane, Hurdle Mills
 61 Perry Harrison, Pittsboro
 62 Seawell, Chapel Hill
 63 Siler City, Siler City
 64 UNC Hospital, Chapel Hill
 65 Wayne Ave., Dunn
 66 Wilson's Mills, Wilson's Mills
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 68 Arthur Edwards, Havelock
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 70 Ben D. Quinn, New Bern
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 74 Central, Jackson
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 96 Chadbourn, Chadbourn
 97 Dixon, Holly Ridge
 98 Don Steed, Raeford
 99 East Arcadia, Riegelwood
 100 Elizabethtown Primary, Elizabethtown
 101 Gallberry Farm, Hope Mills
 102 Gregory School of Science, Math & Technology, Wilmington
 103 Loyd Auman, Fayetteville
 104 Manchester, Spring Lake
 105 North Topsail, Hampstead
 106 South Topsail, Hampstead

- 107 W.H. Knuckles, Lumberton
 108 Westarea, Fayetteville

INVITE-A-SCIENTIST

Scientist, Organization • School, City

All schools are middle schools unless otherwise specified.

- 1 Jennifer Rhode Ward, UNC Asheville • AC Reynolds, Asheville
 2 Summer Cortinas, NC BioNetwork • Bethel, Waynesville
 3 Amy Boyd, Warren Wilson College • Charles D. Owen, Swannanoa
 4 Becca Hale, UNC Asheville • Erwin, Asheville
 5 Steve Hagemean & Mark Zrull, Appalachian St. Univ. • Granite Falls, Granite Falls
 6 Monique Eckerd, Appalachian St. Univ. • Harris, Spruce Pine
 7 Christi Whitworth, PARI • Immaculata Catholic, Hendersonville
 8 Tonya Coffey, Appalachian St. Univ. • New Dimensions Charter, Morganton
 9 Lauren Waterworth & Bryan Zorn, Appalachian St. Univ. • Valle Crucis, Sugar Grove
 10 Marcus Jones, UNC Charlotte • Brawley, Mooresville
 11 Reny Tyson, Duke Univ. • Mooresville, Mooresville
 12 Karen Corbin, UNC Nutrition Research Inst. • Morehead STEM Academy, Charlotte
 13 Saroja Voruganti, UNC Nutrition Research Inst. • Ridge Road, Charlotte
 14 Lauren Davis, NC A&T State Univ. • Blessed Sacrament School, Burlington
 15 Karen Katula, UNC Greensboro • Central Davidson, Lexington
 16 Keith Bonin, Wake Forest Univ. • Central, Dobson
 17 Julia Loreth, UNC Greensboro • E. Lawson Brown, Thomasville
 18 John Gerwin, NC Museum of Natural Sciences • East, Bisoce
 19 Nicole Levi-Polyachenko, Wake Forest Univ. • Oak Grove, Winston-Salem
 20 Patrick Martin, NC A&T State Univ. • Reidsville, Reidsville
 21 Matt Catanzarite, UNC Greensboro • South Davidson, Denton
 22 Debbie Pritchard, NC BioNetwork • Surry County Schools, Pilot Mountain



23 Radiah Minor, NC A&T State Univ. • Thomasville, *Thomasville*

24 Jan Woraratanadharm, Global Vaccines • Apex, *Apex*

25 Erik Tracy, UNC Pembroke • Crain's Creek, *Carthage*

26 Rachel Goldsmith, National Institutes of Health • Culbreth, *Chapel Hill*

27 Patrick Green, Duke Univ. • Dillard Drive, *Raleigh*

28 Marissa Lee, Duke Univ. • East Wake Academy, *Zebulon*

29 Natalia Ocampo-Peñuela, Duke Univ. • East Wake, *Raleigh*

30 Annelise Hocevar Gorensek, UNC Chapel Hill • Githens, *Durham*

31 Jason Cryan & Christine Goforth, NC Museum of Natural Sciences • Leesville Road, *Raleigh*

32 Duncan McPherson, UNC Chapel Hill • McDougle, *Chapel Hill*

33 Caiti Smukowski Heil, Duke Univ. • Mills Park, *Cary*

34 Chelsea Clifford, Duke Univ. • Orange Charter, *Hillsborough*

35 Eleanor Caves & Katie Thomas, Duke Univ. • Wake Young Women's Leadership Academy, *Raleigh*

36 Adam Werts, NC State Univ. • Wendell, *Wendell*

37 Ben Coleman, Duke Univ. • West Pine, *West End*

38 Heather Heenahan, Duke Univ. Marine Lab • Beaufort, *Beaufort*

39 Patrick Rider & Heather Vance-Chalcraft, East Carolina Univ. • Bertie, *Windsor*

40 Alyse Larkin, Duke Univ. Marine Lab • Broad Creek, *Newport*

41 Bob Hickner, East Carolina Univ. • C.B. Martin, *Tarboro*

42 Cindy Lane, Great Dismal Swamp National Wildlife Refuge • Central, *Gatesville*

43 Ann Carr, NC State Univ. • Enfield, *Enfield*

44 Rebecca Pollet, UNC Chapel Hill • Grantham, *Goldsboro*

45 Charmaine Yung, Duke Univ. Marine Lab • Pamlico County, *Bayboro*

46 Jeff McKinnon, East Carolina Univ. • Riverside, *Williamston*

47 Krista McCoy, East Carolina Univ. • South Creek, *Robersonville*

48 John Stiller, East Carolina Univ. • West Edgecombe, *Rocky Mount*

49 Sue Kezios & Karl Ricanek, UNC Wilmington • Burgaw, *Burgaw*

50 Todd LaMaskin, UNC Wilmington • Roland Grise, *Wilmington*

SCIENCE SPOTLIGHT

Teacher, School, *City*
All schools are high schools.

1 Heather Bolick, Butler, *Matthews*

2 Charnell Chasten, John F. Kennedy, *Winston-Salem*

3 Scott Kyles, North Surry, *Mount Airy*

4 Valencia Abbott & Kimberly Thompson-Hairston, Rockingham Early College, *Wentworth*

5 Kelly Hartzell, Franklin Academy, *Wake Forest*

6 Stephen Snyder, Lee County, *Sanford*

7 Johnathan Waugh, Louisburg, *Louisburg*

8 Ruth Wormald, Wake Young Women's Leadership Academy, *Raleigh*

9 Denise Furr, Wakefield, *Raleigh*

10 Lenny Leta, Columbia, *Columbia*

11 Crystal Schultz, J.P. Knapp Early College, *Currituck*

12 Teri Campbell, Gates County, *Gatesville*

13 Jill Cohen, Perquimans County, *Hertford*

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GRAVITY GAMES

School, City
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1 Avery, *Newland*

2 Charles D. Owen, *Swannanoa*

3 Polk County Schools, *Columbus*

4 Gaston Early College, *Dallas*

5 Grier, *Gastonia*

6 Holbrook, *Lowell*

7 John Chavis, *Cherryville*

8 Rockingham, *Rockingham*

9 Sun Valley, *Indian Trail*

10 The Academy at Lincoln, *Greensboro*

11 Ferndale, *High Point*

12 John F. Kennedy High, *Winston-Salem*

13 South Stokes High, *Walnut Cove*

14 T.W. Andrews High, *High Point*

15 Tyro, *Lexington*

16 Walkertown, *Walkertown*

17 William Ellis, *Advance*

18 Four Oaks, *Four Oaks*

19 Githens, *Durham*

20 Lowe's Grove School of Technology, *Durham*

21 Wake Young Women's Leadership Academy, *Raleigh*

22 Willow Oak Montessori Charter, *Chapel Hill*

23 Goldsboro High, *Goldsboro*

24 Greenwood, *Goldsboro*

25 John A. Holmes High, *Edenton*

26 Lenoir County Early College High, *Kinston*

27 Columbus Career and College Academy, *Whiteville*

28 Noble, *Wilmington*

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