

MEMO

TO: Kim Parker, Amory High School
FROM: Kelly Riley, Policy Liaison
DATE: April 30, 2002
SUBJECT: National Youth Science Camp

The State of West Virginia will once again host the National Youth Science Camp. Although the deadline for states to submit names of delegates has passed, the National Youth Science Camp has granted us an extension to submit the names of two outstanding Mississippi students. Valerie Anderson of the Department of Education suggested that I contact you regarding this opportunity due to the strength of your science program. **Our timeline is critical – I must receive your students' applications and supporting materials by 5:00 p.m next Monday, May 6, 2002.**

Please identify your graduating high school seniors who have demonstrated exceptional academic achievement, leadership potential, and excellence in the sciences as candidates to represent Mississippi at this nationally recognized honors program. This four-week summer program honors excellence in science and encourages thoughtful scientific leadership through scientific lectures, hands-on research opportunities, and a challenging outdoor recreational program. The program seeks to broaden, inspire and promote the interest of our youth in pursuing scientific careers and to encourage thoughtful scientific leadership for our nation's future.

The National Youth Science Foundation covers all expenses of the students' participation, including travel. **Candidates must be available to participate in the entire program, June 27 to July 22, 2002.**

An application and frequently asked questions regarding the National Youth Science Camp are enclosed. Additional information concerning the camp may be found at <http://www.sciencecamp.org>.

Please submit your applications via mail or hand delivery to my attention at:

Office of the Governor	501 N. West Street
P.O. Box 139	Woolfolk Building, 15 th Floor
Jackson, MS 39205-0139	Jackson, MS 39201 (HAND DELIVERED)

You may fax application packets to my attention at 601-359-3741.

Please feel free to contact me at 601/359-2528 if you have any questions. Thank you in advance for your prompt assistance in making this incredible opportunity available to our students!