



**MID-AMERICA YOUTH AVIATION ASSOCIATION
DBA/KC AVIATION EXPO
SPACE CAMP SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
PO Box 681118
Kansas City, MO 64150**

January 27, 2009

Dear Teacher,

We are pleased to provide you with a scholarship application for the Mid-America Youth Aviation Association (MAYAA) "Teacher at Space Academy" program at the U.S. Space & Rocket Center in Huntsville, AL. MAYAA is proud to fund the scholarship for a science teacher in Kansas and Missouri to attend the training program. There are two dates to choose from to attend Space Academy for Educators. If selected you may choose to attend the camp on July 21-25 or August 4-8, 2009.

Program Overview

Space Camp provides training for a teacher in a program sponsored by Mid-America Youth Aviation Association. The goal is to use space education to motivate teachers and to enhance their skills in presenting math, science, and technology lessons in the classroom.

Through its educator programs, Space Camp staff members are helping to enhance STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math education) in our nation's school systems. With the requirements of the No Child Left Behind Act, it is important that teachers have avenues through which they can enhance their teaching skills.

The U.S. Space Academy for Educators program includes:

- Tuition for 5 -day Space Academy for Educators program at U.S. Space Camp in Alabama
- Teachers completing the Space Academy for Educators program receive Graduate credits through University of Alabama at Huntsville
- Roundtrip airfare from Kansas City, Missouri
- Meals and double occupancy accommodations
- Workbooks, program materials, t -shirts and flight suits for the participating teacher
- For more detailed information visit the U.S. Space Camp website at <http://www.spacecamp.com/spacecamp/educators>

Selection Criteria

The purpose of the Mid-America Youth Aviation Association sponsored educators program is to assist professional educators in motivating students toward greater achievements in math and science. A suggested profile for the type of teacher who might best benefit from this program would be someone who:

- Missouri or Kansas public school teacher with emphasis on Science and Math
- Strives for excellence in education
- Is committed to finding the best ways to motivate students
- Shows genuine concern for students
- Is interested in science, technology, space or math content areas but does not necessarily have extensive expertise
- Shows innovative skills by incorporating new teaching methods (i.e. inquiry based learning, hands-on experiments, etc.)
- Demonstrates creative ways to share knowledge with students and other teachers
- Communicates new ideas and lessons learned to others within school system
- Shows leadership



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Application Process

To apply for the Mid-America Youth Aviation Association (MAYAA) "Teacher at Space Academy" program please fill out the attached application and return it via regular mail or email by May 31, 2009 to:

**Mid-America Youth Aviation Association
Teacher at Space Camp Education Scholarship
PO Box 681118
Kansas City, MO 64150**

Scholarship recipients will be notified by email or phone no later than June 10, 2009.

(Please do not send as certified or registered mail.)

**Mid-America Youth Aviation Association
Teachers to Space Camp Application**

Applications must be received via U.S. mail no later than May 31, 2009.

Mail completed application form to:

**Mid-America Youth Aviation Association
Teacher at Space Camp Education Scholarship
PO Box 681118
Kansas City, MO 64150**

Only complete applications will be considered.

Mid-America Youth Aviation Association Teacher to Space Camp will be held at the U.S. Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama on either the July 21-25, 2009 session or the August 4-8, 2009 session. Applicants must be public school teachers in Kansas or Missouri and be teaching science during the 2009-10 school year. Teachers must be available to arrive in Huntsville on either July 20 for the July 21-25 session or August 3, 2009 for the August 4-8 session and stay for the entire program. Mid-America Youth Aviation Association pays all expenses for air travel, from Kansas City, Missouri, ground transportation in Huntsville, lodging, meals and tuition to Space Camp.

Name: _____

Name of School: _____

School District: _____

Subject(s) teaching in the 2009-2010 school year: _____

School Address: _____

Teacher e-mail address: _____

School Phone: _____ **Home Phone:** _____ **Cell Phone:** _____

School Principal: _____

School Principal signature: _____

Please answer the following questions on a separate sheet of 8 1/2 x 11 paper.

- 1. What is your background in science and math and how would attending Space Camp help you grow professionally?**

- 2. Please explain how you presently engage students in math, science and technology?**

- 3. How would you integrate what you learn at Space Camp into your curriculum?**

OFFICIAL RULES
MID-AMERICA YOUTH AVIATION ASSOCIATION (MAYAA)
TEACHER TO SPACE CAMP SCHOLARSHIP (“SCHOLARSHIP”)

1. The Scholarship is subject to all applicable federal and state laws and regulations.
2. The Scholarship applications end on May 31st of each year.
3. Participation is open to only those who are public school teachers in Kansas or Missouri and be teaching science during the 2009-10 school year at the time of attendance at the U.S. Space & Rocket Center® (“Space Camp®”) operated by Alabama Space Science Exhibit Commission d/b/a U. S. Space & Rocket Center (“USSRC”). Teachers must be available to arrive in Huntsville on July 16 and stay for the entire program.
4. To enter, complete the Scholarship Application Form and return to MAYAA Space Camp Scholarship at PO Box 681118, Kansas City, MO 64150. Only one entry per individual is permitted. Entries must be postmarked by midnight on May 31st. By entering, participants agree to be bound by these Official Rules and the requirements of USSRC. Decisions of the MAYAA Scholarship Committee shall be final and binding.
5. Recipient of the Scholarship will be contacted by June 10th by the MAYAA Scholarship Committee.
6. The individual whose name is selected will be awarded the following prize (provided there is full compliance with the Official Scholarship Rules): (a) admission to the Space Camp, (b) food and lodging as provided by the Space Camp, (c) round trip airline transportation (coach) from Kansas City, Missouri, (d) round trip ground transportation between the Huntsville International Airport, Huntsville, Alabama airport and the Space Camp.
7. Proof satisfactory to MAYAA and USSRC of the employment of the recipient must be presented to claim the Scholarship. Decisions MAYAA and USSRC are final and binding.
8. The Recipient, must, as a condition of being awarded the Scholarship, execute the Scholarship Agreement and Release attached hereto as Attachment A.
9. Recipient must comply with and abide by all Space Camp rules and regulations.
10. Recipient must attend the Space Camp Educators program beginning on either July 21, 2009 session or August 4, 2009 session. Arrangements must be made with MAYAA for airline transportation and ground transportation.
11. Recipient agrees to notify MAYAA no later than June 15, 2009 if it appears Recipient will not be able to attend and complete the Space Camp program. The time period to attend Space Camp will not be extended beyond the scheduled dates of July 21-25 or August 4-8, 2009.
12. MAYAA Board of Directors and their immediate family members are not eligible to participate.
13. The Scholarship is not transferable, assignable or refundable. No cash or prize substitutions will be given.
14. MAYAA Board of Directors and their agents, employees, officers, directors, members, elected and appointed officials, and volunteers have no affiliation with Space Camp or USSRC and nothing herein shall be construed as creating a joint venture between said parties.