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CHILDREN'S SCIENCE CENTER ZOOMS IN FOR A VIRTUAL SUMMER OF FUN!

For Immediate Release – June 2, 2020 (Fairfax, VA) The Children's Science Center Lab is welcoming visitors to explore and create by offering all of their programs virtually! Guests can now register for virtual summer camps, virtual birthday parties, virtual field trips and virtual animal encounters. The small hands-on science center, located in Fair Oaks Mall, closed its doors on March 13 to help stop the spread of the Coronavirus and will remain closed until it is safe to reopen. Unlike retailers, they are not allowed to open under the Governor's Phase I order which does not include museums.

"We have accepted the current situation and re-engineered our programs to engage children in a safe, fun, and meaningful way." said Nene Spivy, Executive Director of the Children's Science Center. "Our virtual programs enable us to continue to deliver our mission to the community and keep our talented education staff doing what they do best – inspiring a love of learning in STEM!"

Weekly STEM Virtual Camps begin June 15 and are half day adventures that keep children engaged, learning and having fun! Expert STEM Educators will facilitate hands-on activities, self-directed learning, STEM explorations and group discussions for children in rising grades 2-6.

Virtual birthday parties come with a selection of demonstrations to choose from, two STEM party hosts and a birthday kit for the guest of honor which can be picked up curbside! A list of supplies is included with the invitation link, so friends can follow along from a safe distance. These one hour sessions are well organized, exciting and fun for everyone.

The Children's Science Center offers free experiences on its social media and YouTube Channel: Children's Science Center Lab. Videos include demonstrations, book readings, DIY experiments, and animal keeper talks.

Learn more about the Children's Science Center Lab's virtual programs by visiting Childsci.org.

The Children's Science Center's mission is to inspire a love of learning science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) by providing unique opportunities to explore and create. The Children's Science Center Lab is located at Fair Oaks Mall and is Northern Virginia's first interactive museum where children, families and school groups can explore STEM concepts through fun, engaging hands-on exhibits, activities and programs. In addition to the Lab and community programs, the Center is working to fulfill the vision of a full-scale, world-class, interactive science museum to be located in Dulles, VA. The Children's Science Center is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization. Learn more at www.childsci.org.

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