



STATE OF NEW JERSEY

# DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

A Memo from the New Jersey Department of Education

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To: Chief School Administrators, Charter School and Renaissance School Project Leads  
Route To: School Counselors, High School Science Teachers  
From: Lisa J. Gleason, Ed.D., Assistant Commissioner  
Division of Academics and Performance  
Deadline: February 28, 2021

## National Youth Science Camp Application Period is Open

The New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) is pleased to announce its participation in the 2021 National Youth Science Camp ([NYSCamp](#)). Traditionally, the NYSCamp has been a residential science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) program designed to honor and challenge some of the nation's rising STEM leaders and provide them with opportunities to engage with STEM professionals and participate in exciting outdoor activities. Due to ongoing concerns about COVID-19, the 2021 NYSCamp will be a virtual camp experience held from June 28 through July 21. The NYSCamp is offered to selected participants at no cost.

Each year, a panel of New Jersey STEM professionals selects two delegates and two alternates to participate in the NYSCamp program. Students who are interested in applying to attend the 2021 NYSCamp must be a graduating high school senior from a public or nonpublic school, a resident of New Jersey, and submit their completed [application form](#) by February 28, 2021.

As part of the application process, students are asked to demonstrate high academic achievement, particularly in areas of mathematics and science; strong leadership abilities; and a strong commitment to school and/or community activities. In addition, students should be interested in pursuing higher education and a career in a STEM-related field. Applicants will receive a notification of their status by March 15, 2021.

Please contact Michael Heinz, NJDOE program administrator, at [Michael.Heinz@doe.nj.gov](mailto:Michael.Heinz@doe.nj.gov), for additional information about the 2021 NYSCamp or the application process.

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