

ONTARIO SCIENCE CENTRE

Youth-for-Youth (Y4Y) Innovation Program

Attention, grade 7 and 8 students in M3C or M4H postal codes!

Are you interested in STEM, problem-solving and collaborative projects? Check out the Ontario Science Centre's Youth for Youth Summer Innovation Project, running throughout July and August 2023 for students from the Flemingdon and Thorncliffe communities.

Get a behind-the-scenes look at the Science Centre as you learn about the many professionals and apprentices who keep the Centre running, including individuals with expertise in science, technology, engineering, math and skilled trades. Meet and engage with the Science Centre's scientists, exhibit fabrication staff (i.e., carpenters, machinists, electricians), audio visual technicians, 2D and 3D designers, motion graphics animators, animal care experts, program developers and more.

Together, participants will develop a solution-based design project with support from their youth mentors and Science Centre staff. You will then present your solutions to a panel of peers, Science Centre staff and program partners.

There is no cost for the program. Presto cards will be provided to students relying on transit to attend. Upon completing the program, all participants will receive a \$25/day stipend.

Three sessions will take place this summer:

Session 1: Monday, July 17 – Thursday, July 27

Session 2: Monday, July 31 – Friday, August 11 (will not run on Monday August 7)

Session 3: Tuesday, August 15 – Friday, August 25

Criteria:

To qualify for the program, participants must:

- Live in an area with a M3C or M4H postal code
- Have completed grade 7 or 8 in June 2023
- Be available to attend the program in person at 770 Don Mills Road from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on all days of the selected session
- Complete all parts of the application and submit it before:
 - Wednesday, June 21 at 4 p.m.

Process

A selection committee will review all applications submitted by the deadline to ensure the above criteria have been met. All applications that meet the criteria will be placed into a pool for a random selection. Once participants have been randomly selected, they and their parents/caregivers will receive a registration form via email. This form must be completed and returned by the specified due date to secure the participant's place in the program. Applications will be accepted via email, fax or regular mail. All applicants will receive a confirmation email to acknowledge receipt of their application.

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Application Form: Youth-for-Youth (Y4Y) Innovation Program

Please type to complete this form.

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Email _____

Grade completed in June 2023: Grade 7 Grade 8 What pronouns do you use? _____

Name of Parent/Guardian: _____

Phone Number of Parent/Guardian _____ Postal Code _____

Email of Parent/Guardian _____

I have permission from my Parent/Guardian to participate in this program. Yes No

If selected, I am committed to attending every day of the session from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Yes No

Please rank your preferences for a session: (If you are unavailable for a specific session, leave blank.)

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STEM is about using problem-solving to address specific challenges. What is one example of a challenge you see in your home, community or world that you would like to explore solutions for?

What area of science, engineering, technology or math most interests you? Why?

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