



## Application for **Distinguished Mentor/Director Award**

**Dear ScienceDays Chapter Directors and Mentors:**

We would like to congratulate you on being a valued volunteer of the ScienceDays organization by inviting you to apply for the DISTINGUISHED MENTOR or the DISTINGUISHED DIRECTOR award. In reviewing your applications, we will look for:

1. **Dedication** to the program throughout the whole year
2. **Teamwork** skills and **leadership** demonstrated throughout the year in the ScienceDays club at your school
3. **Creativity** in coordinating events and fundraising efforts
4. **Passion** and **enthusiasm** for science education
5. **Collaboration** and **communication** with other chapters

All mentors are eligible and encouraged to apply. However, it is not a required component of your participation in the ScienceDays program. **If you are a chapter director, it is your responsibility to forward the awards information to your mentors!**

Please note that while receiving the DISTINGUISHED MENTOR or the DISTINGUISHED DIRECTOR awards is a big honor, it is – in no way – competitive. We do not have a “quota” on the number of students receiving the award each year; whether or not you receive it completely depends on your own dedication, creativity, and accomplishments in the ScienceDays program. Good luck! Don’t hesitate to contact us (or each other) with any questions or concerns!

Best regards,

The ScienceDays National Board

Please use this cover sheet as the first page of your application.

Please type up your responses to the following questions. Please use a list or table format for question 1, and do not feel obligated to write more than 250 words for questions 2-5!

1. Please list all elementary schools or other programs you visited throughout the year. Please include how many times you visited, what grade levels you delivered lessons to, and approximate number of students that you were able to teach at all schools.
2. What kinds of feedback have you received from kids, teachers, mentors, or other individuals you worked with? Specific examples and quotations are preferred.
3. Please describe your most meaningful experience this year working as a ScienceDays volunteer.
4. Do you feel ScienceDays has had a significant impact on your community, and how do you aim to increase that impact in the future?
5. What do you feel sets ScienceDays apart from other organizations in your school or community? Why did you choose to volunteer for ScienceDays in particular?

**Signatures:**

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Your signature

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Your mailing address

**By signing below, the faculty sponsor is acknowledging that the contents of the application are accurate to the best of his/her knowledge.**

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Signature of faculty sponsor

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Email address of faculty sponsor