SCIENCE MUSEUM OF VA PARTNERS WITH THE PETERSBURG 4-H

By Sharon Mallory, Extension Agent, 4-H Youth Development

Petersburg 4-H Agent, Sharon F. Mallory, has partnered with the Science Museum of Virginia to bring innovative workshops to the Petersburg Public Schools for the 2012-2013 school year.

Students will receive instruction in the area of Science that correlates with the Virginia Science Standards of Learning. A Science Museum of Virginia Outreach Education Coordinator will visit each science classes to conduct a 50 minute, hands-on curriculum to include but are not limited to topics such as: Busy Bees, Forest Ecosystems, Virginia Watersheds, Fun with Microscopes, Biomedical Technology. Most schools will also have an on-site science exhibit so that students will be able to rotate throughout the day. Students will be viewing curiosity-provoking hands on subjects to include but are not limited to: Match the Bones, Arch Bridge, Hand Battery and Bernoulli Blower.

Vernon Johns Jr. High (October 1), Robert E. Lee Elementary (October 12) and Peabody Middle Schools (October 16) selected their dates for October and J.E.B. Stuart Elementary (January 8), A.P. Hill Elementary (January 10) and Walnut Hill Elementary (February 7) dates will be in January and February 2013. If you are a parent and would like more information about these visits, please contact your child’s school or the Petersburg Extension Office.

If you are an organization or person who wants to give back or assist youth in gaining additional knowledge, life skills, and attitudes that will further their development, please contact Sharon Mallory, Extension Agent, specializing in 4-H Youth Development with the Virginia Cooperative Extension-Petersburg Office at 804/733-1880 or email at: smallory@vt.edu.

If you are a person with a disability and desire any assistive devices, services or other accommodations to participate in this activity, please contact Sharon F. Mallory (Petersburg Extension Office) at (804/733-1880/TDD*) during business hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. to discuss accommodations 5 days prior to the event.

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Science Museum of Virginia’s Outreach Education Coordinator, Matt Baker, watches a 9th grade Vernon John student participates in the Wet and Wild Watershed Workshop.

Science Museum of Virginia’s Outreach Education Coordinator, Megan Bowman, have Vernon John 8th grade students to show their findings in the What’s the Matter Workshop.