#### Science from Scientists Newsletter

Hello SfS Supporters,

We hope that 2018 has been off to a great start for all of you! Over the last few months at Science from Scientists, we've been working to bring the magic of science to as many children and their families as possible.

Since opening The SpectacuLAB show in Epcot at Walt Disney World® Resort with leading electronics company Murata in November 2017, we have been reaching thousands more children and families permonth. With performances taking place 5 times a day, 7 days a week, more than 500 shows and 2,500 live experiments have already been completed!

After adding a few new schools to our spring 2018 roster as well, our role model scientists are now proudly serving 8,300 students and igniting their interest in STEM with fun, discovery-based learning.

We'll also be hosting our first-ever gala in Cambridge, MA this spring, and we would love to extend an invitation to all of you. Details are below. Keep on reading for the latest and greatest updates!











#### Donor Spotlight



We are thrilled to announce that Vertex Pharmaceuticals has awarded Science from Scientists \$15,000!

"In Boston, we are lucky to have companies like Vertex stepping up and contributing to our city and our future workforce," said Boston Mayor Martin J. Walsh. "This commitment will mean thousands of students across the City will continue to have the opportunity to get handson experiences in STEAM and see a place for themselves in Boston's thriving innovation economy."

Thank you, Vertex, for

## Celebrating Engineers Week



To celebrate National Engineers Week 2018, Science from Scientists kicked things off in partnership with Murata at The SpectacuLAB in Epcot at Walt Disney World® Resort.

Together, we gave out special Engineers Week lab coats for guests visiting the show to raise awareness of the importance of STEM education. Murata's rolling **Cheerleader Robots** gave exciting performances before each show.

investing in our mission & programs in Massachusetts.

#### Our Impact



To verify that our programming is impactful, we measure our success using a variety of different metrics, including pre- and post-lesson quizzes that correspond to each module we present to students.

During the 2017 fall semester, SfS collected quiz results that demonstrated an average 17% improvement from pre- to post-quiz across the partner schools we serve in Massachusetts, California, and Minnesota. That's more than a letter grade!

# Funding for Math Teachers



The National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NTCM) is offering a grant up to \$6,000 for math teachers in grades PreK-5 who have demonstrated a commitment to strengthening their own teaching methods and applying innovative new ides to their classrooms.

Applicants must have the support of their principals and be members of NCTM.

Deadline: November 2, 2018.

We also had a great time visiting several local schools in Florida, where participating students also received their own lab coats, watched Murata Cheerleader Robots perform, and conducted exciting, hands-on science experiments with our scientists.

#### Murata Cheerleaders in Minnesota



Murata Cheerleader Robots are bringing the cheer to all! Before heading to the Walt Disney World® Resort, Murata's Cheerleader Robots visited Poplar Bridge Elementary School, one of our partner schools in Bloomington, Minnesota, to perform for the first time in a school in the U.S.

The Cheerleader Robots used the latest sensing, communication, and group control technologies to remain perfectly balanced atop a rubber ball while performing a synchronized dance for 150 spellbound 4th-and 5th-grade students and their teachers. Read more here!

### Save the Date: Inaugural Gala



We are hosting our first-ever Gala this spring on Wednesday, May 9th, 2018 at Akamai Technologies in Cambridge, MA. If you are in the New England area or will be visiting, we invite you to <u>purchase tickets</u> for this fun-filled and inspiring night of science! The funds raised through our Gala will help support our STEM enrichment programs and our mission.

Teachers, children, and administrators who have been a part of our program will participate in our event. We'll have food and drink, exciting activities for our guests, and a silent and live auction featuring one-of-a-kind

items. Get more details here.

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