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Temporarily closed to public
Following safety recommendations

Due to safety concerns around COVID-19 (coronavirus) Gateway to Science is temporarily closed to the public.

As recommended by Governor Burgum, Bismarck Parks & Recreation District (BPRD) has closed all of its facilities through Monday, April 6, at this time. Gateway to Science is located within a BPRD building and is included in those closures. We will continue to communicate with BPRD to monitor this ever-evolving situation and will make additional announcements as updates are available.

We are following the protocol recommended by Governor Burgum and the North Dakota Department of Health. The safety of our visitors, members, staff, and volunteers is our top priority. As a science institution dedicated to inspiring learning, we will continue to make decisions based on the latest information and recommendations of trusted public health authorities.

Since our visitors can’t come to us, we are sharing some fun STEM at Home activities on our website and Facebook page. We hope families will enjoy learning together while practicing social distancing.

Closing our hands-on exhibit gallery and suspending all programs means a loss of income from admissions and program fees. Please consider making a donation or purchasing a membership to help sustain our operations during this difficult time.

Thank you for your patience during this evolving situation. If you have questions or need to reschedule your visit, please contact us.
To stay informed on our latest updates as information becomes available, follow us on Facebook and Twitter, or visit gatewaytoscience.org.

We look forward to welcoming you back to Gateway to Science!

**Six students to be named STEM All-Stars**

Nominations accepted through April 10

The Bismarck Larks have teamed up with MDU Resources and Gateway to Science to bring STEM education (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) to the baseball field. Together, we understand the importance of equipping youth with the knowledge and skills to solve tough problems, gather and evaluate evidence and comprehend information.

Every summer the Larks make it their mission to recognize *six all-star students* who exhibit hard work, dedication, and a commitment to using STEM to serve their school and community. Students are nominated by their teacher for their love of learning. The winners are then carefully selected by MDU Resources and Gateway to Science.

Students in grades 1 - 12 in all North Dakota Schools are eligible. Nominations from educators will be accepted from March 23 through April 10, with the STEM All-Stars being announced April 17. The *first 50 students nominated will receive (2) FREE tickets to STEM Education Night at the June 18th Larks game.* Each nominating teacher will be entered in a drawing to receive A $1,000 STEM grant courtesy of MDU Resources Group for STEM supplies and the opportunity to showcase their STEM program during the STEM Expo on June 18th at the Bismarck Larks game.

For more details, visit gatewaytoscience.org/stem-allstar.

**Postponements and cancellations**

Rescheduled date to be announced when available

Due to current public health concerns, the STEM Scramble scheduled for
Saturday, March 21, at Golf Etc. has been postponed. We hope to reschedule as soon as is practical.

Our STEM Adventure Club did not meet this week and next week’s meeting has also been cancelled at this time.

Preschool Discovery Hour will not be held this Saturday or for as long as we are closed to the public.

The Spring STEM Spectacular will not be held on April 18.

Those who had STEMzone programs scheduled for the remainder of March and all of April have been contacted to reschedule.

Look for further information to be posted when available at gatewaytoscience.org or on our Facebook page. We will provide updates as they become available about further postponements or cancellations, or about rescheduled dates.

Thank you for your understanding!

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