



## TEACHER/REFERENCE APPROVAL FORM

The Perot Museum of Nature and Science *Discovery Corps Teen Summer Program* teen volunteer program exists to foster teens interest in science, nature and technology by placing exceptional STEM minded teens in areas where they can interact with and help educate Museum guests, *Discovery Corps* is open to teens entering 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grade in Fall 2021; teens must be 14 years of age before starting to volunteering.

**Discovery Corps participants should be highly interested in science and technology with a desire to help and educate others. The Perot Museum of Nature and Science wants to ensure that we provide the best possible experience for our guests. You are asked to review the following statements and approve your student for this type of interaction. Your contact information is needed in case there is a need to reach out to you for more information.**

Questions? Please contact the Perot Museum Volunteer Services team at [volunteers@perotmuseum.org](mailto:volunteers@perotmuseum.org)

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Student Applicant Name

Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is this student in good academic standing?
		If no, please explain for consideration: _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Does this student have any behavioral issues?
		If yes, please explain for consideration: _____
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Teacher/Reference Name

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School/Organization Name

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Teacher/Reference

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Title/Subject

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Teacher/Reference Phone

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Teacher/Reference Email



# Perot Museum of Nature and Science [TEEN SUMMER PROGRAM]

## PROGRAM BENEFITS

- Inspire guests of all ages, through the world of nature and science
- Gain work experience engaging guests throughout the Perot Museum and in special activities
- Gain collaborative skills by actively participating in a group project
- Gain interpersonal skills by networking with experienced volunteers from STEM professions
- Learn basic work skills such as resume writing, email etiquette, and presentation skills
- Successful completion of *Discovery Corps* is the entry for teen opportunities for individual year-round volunteering at the Perot Museum
- Nationally recognized, Gold-level Presidential Service Award for teens aged 14-15 with 100 service hours, and teens aged 16-19 with 250 service hours

## PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- Open to students entering freshman, sophomore, junior, or senior year of high school in fall 2021 who are at least 14 years of age by program start date
- For students who have an interest in science and working with kids and adults
- Complete *Discovery Corps* application and submit required documents, entrance interview and orientation
- Complete one full week (Monday-Friday) 8:45am-5:00pm on site
- Complete an additional 16 hours of self-scheduled volunteer shifts in Museum exhibit halls and traveling exhibitions through flexible, four-hour shifts
- Complete five trainings focused on workforce readiness
- Complete assigned STEM career explorations
- Complete one group project and participate in one final project presentation
- Complete a total of 70 hours of volunteer service
- Final deadline for consideration April 10, 2021 or until all spots are filled

## Applications open January 5, 2021

Early selection and acceptance priority will be based on the date the application and required documents are submitted.



To apply to *Discovery Corps* 2021, please visit our website at [perotmuseum.org/volunteer](https://perotmuseum.org/volunteer)



For questions, contact the Volunteer Services department via email at [volunteers@perotmuseum.org](mailto:volunteers@perotmuseum.org)

