

**APPALACHIAN REGIONAL COMMISSION/
OAK RIDGE NATIONAL LABORATORY
OAK RIDGE ASSOCIATED UNIVERSITIES**

2010 MIDDLE SCHOOL SUMMER SCIENCE CAMP

Criteria for Selecting Participants

The Appalachian Regional Commission, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, and Oak Ridge Associated Universities have established the following criteria for selecting participants for the Middle School Summer Science Camp. Appalachian states have the flexibility to add criteria, provided they do not conflict with those given below.

MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS:

- Student participants must be between 12 and 14 years old on July 18, 2010.
- All participants must be U.S. citizens. (Required to obtain necessary security clearance to enter ORNL facilities.)
- Student participants must attend a public school in a designated Appalachian county and plan to enroll in a public school in an Appalachian county for the 2010-2011 school year.
- Children of employees of Oak Ridge National Laboratory and Oak Ridge Associated Universities are not eligible to participate.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

- Target Schools/Counties. States are encouraged to select participants from economically distressed counties and economically distressed areas.
- Schools Represented. Middle school students should be from the **same school**. States are encouraged to nominate two or more additional students from the same school as “alternates” in case one of the nominees is unable to attend or there are other openings.
- Participation in Other Programs. Students who have not had an opportunity to participate in previous Oak Ridge or similar math and science programs will be given priority.
- Family Income. ARC has not established income levels for participation. However, ARC requests that recruitment focus on those students whose families do not have the financial means to send them to such a program.
- Academic Requirements. ARC has not established academic requirements for participation. However, ARC requests that recruitment focus on “middle-tier” students – students who show potential in math and/or science, students who are not currently taking higher level classes but may consider taking such classes with additional encouragement. First generation college-going is also a priority. There is no minimum grade point average required for participation.

For further program information, please contact the Georgia Appalachian Center for Higher Education at 706-867-3272; fax 706-867-2880; e-mail: gache@northgeorgia.edu. Address: GACHE, 212 Dunlap Hall, NGCSU, Dahlonega, Georgia 30597.

All applications are to be *submitted to the Georgia Appalachian Center for Higher Education* and must be received by **February 15, 2010**. Faxed copies are acceptable if all information is legible.

Program is dependent upon availability of funding.