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Dear Educator: The Children's Museum considers itself your aid in delivering quality education to your students. We would like to remind you of two different events/happenings at our Children's Museum, which may be an aide for you in reaching your goals for this school year, while not having to travel far!

1.) **Our 10th Annual Science & Technology Fair will be held at the Children's Museum on Saturday, March 2nd, 2013.** This fair is open for participation to students in 3rd through 8th grades. In light of recent world studies finding U.S. students lagging in science and math literacy, our Museum and our Science & Technology Fair will help boost students' interest in the critical areas of math, science, and technology. We encourage you to share the information on this event with your students, and perhaps include this as a required project in your curriculum. Many of your schools already hold in-house science fairs, and we would like to remind you these projects can also be submitted to our fair. In this way, the students will be able to share their knowledge and excitement with an even larger audience. We are aware it is an enjoyable educational experience for youngsters to visit and interact with our many Space and Science exhibits. **Each year, over 30 students from several local schools participate** in our Annual Science & Technology fair. **Our Entry Form is enclosed.** Pictures/coverage of last year's event & updated information is posted on our website for you to view & download. I hope you and your students will be able to participate in this important educational program.

2.) **As your teachers plan their field trips,** we wanted to remind you of the 100's of interactive Educational Curriculum Enrichment exhibits we offer here. The enclosed flyer contains pictures of just a few of the exhibits we believe you'll find complement your classroom topics in the Arts, SS, & MST by adding a "hands-on" dimension to your students' learning experience, helping them improve their test scores, you can take your students through exhibits on your own with a visit schedule we'll provide. **Our continuing growth** makes for educational and enjoyable field trips. **NOTE: Our exhibits & programs meet NYS Learning Standards in Arts, SS, & MST / COSER & Badges (1 chaperone free for every 6 paid). GROUP REDUCTION NUMBERS** \$3.00 per person groups of 100 or more; \$3.25 per person in groups of 75-99; \$3.50 per person in groups of 50-74 ; \$3.75 per person in groups of 25-49; \$4.25 per person in groups of 15-24; \$4.50 per person in groups of 10-14.

Our 1st floor Exploration Space with the popular **Healthy Kids Hut**, life-size wooden train, & interactive Saturn car enthrall all visitors+ handicapped bathroom with changing table & Private Nursing Rm. Our 2nd floor **Iroquois Longhouse** is the setting for a program contrasting a day in the life of a Native American child, along with our interactive **NYS History Diorama**, and computer slideshows. Our popular LED Play Dance Floor is a 'green' cutting edge technology math & science interactive exhibit. Our multi-media **Dinorama/ Paleontology** activity center provides an exciting background for this subject. Plus we have added to our Erie Canal artifacts, a boat wheel & TV show + **an exciting new hands-on Erie Canal exhibit!** Our 3rd floor's Living Science Center and Weather Room give students the opportunity to see and touch various components of the insect world and view weather data. Other exciting exhibits are our new **Sustainable Energy exhibits**, and TV's showing our **live roof Wind Turbine & the Mars Rover Curiosity** in its landing process! Our exciting 4th floor **NASA and Science exhibits** lend a one of a kind viewing, along with our ever growing HO & Lionel hands-on train exhibits & real airplane which flew out of our local airport!

We look forward to hearing from and to working with you. Thank you for your time. Sincerely, Marlene

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