

## **Youth Science Discovery Experience**

### **Spring 2013 Staff Positions:**

#### **Research Mentors (5):**

Math/science teachers, pre-service teachers, or others with substantial background in experiential education. Each mentor provides leadership for a student research team through the morning and presents informal seminars during most afternoons. Each team receives technical guidance from a scientist, and the mentors. Mentors may occasionally be asked to help Program Assistants with some whole-group activities or evening supervision when extra staff are needed. Mentors also help with morning transportation logistics from the hotel to CVI.

#### **Operations Coordinator:**

This individual coordinates logistics among students and the different staff members and serves as a general organizational hub. The O.C. works with research mentors and the YSDE director on scheduling afternoon seminars.

#### **Outdoor/Activities Coordinator:**

This staff member coordinates and leads outdoor activities during seminar blocks and may assist with indoor activity offerings. Outdoor leadership experience is important for success, and a natural science background is helpful. This individual also works with the Program Assistants on the daily whole-group activity.

#### **Program Assistants (2):**

These individuals are largely responsible for preparing and leading a daily whole-group activity that encourages critical thinking, scientific inquiry, and/or creative problem solving. They also provide supervision at the hotel and help with evening transportation logistics from CVI to the hotel.