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## LIBERTY SCIENCE CENTER ANNOUNCES PUBLIC REOPENING FOLLOWING COVID-19 CLOSURE

*Science Center to Open Labor Day Weekend with Enhanced COVID-19 Safety Precautions in Place*

**JERSEY CITY, N.J., July 21, 2020** – Liberty Science Center will reopen its doors to the public in September starting with the three-day Labor Day Weekend, September 5-7, from 10 am to 5 pm following an exclusive Members-only preview day on Friday, September 4, from 10 am to 4 pm.

“LSC’s mission—to inspire the next generation of scientists and engineers—is more urgent than ever. We need to encourage kids who will grow up to cure diseases, discover distant planets, create life-changing technologies, and lead us to a brighter future,” said Paul Hoffman, President and CEO of Liberty Science Center. “We’re thrilled to be able to welcome learners of all ages back to LSC where we can provide inspiring and entertaining learning experiences.”

Increased daily disinfecting and sanitizing protocols will be in place for the entire facility, with special attention paid to highly trafficked areas and high-touch surfaces throughout the building and its exhibits. LSC visitors will need to wear face coverings and maintain social distancing practices of six feet or more from other individuals. Admission tickets will go on sale via [LSC.org](http://LSC.org) next month and will be limited to less than 25% capacity to allow for appropriate physical distancing.

Some exhibits will be altered and others removed to comply with COVID-19 safety measures, and guests can expect some engaging new additions to the Science Center’s exhibits and programming. Details on the Science Center’s offerings and schedule will be released next month.

“In these challenging times,” Hoffman said, “LSC will be focusing on the safety of our guests and our staff. We’ll be offering terrific no-touch, low-touch, and minds-on science experiences. I can’t wait to reopen and personally greet members and visitors.”

In the meantime, LSC will continue to offer an exciting suite of live virtual programs throughout July and August, from planetarium shows to visits with some of the Center’s 110 species of animals. The online programming can be found on the Center’s website at [LSC.org/inthehouse](http://LSC.org/inthehouse).

### **About Liberty Science Center**

Liberty Science Center ([LSC.org](http://LSC.org)) is a 300,000-square-foot not-for-profit learning center located in Liberty State Park on the Jersey City bank of the Hudson near the Statue of Liberty. Dedicated to inspiring the next generation of scientists and engineers and bringing the power, promise, and pure fun of science and technology to learners of all ages, Liberty Science Center houses the largest planetarium in the Western Hemisphere, 12 museum exhibition halls, a live animal collection with 110 species, giant aquariums, a 3D theater, live simulcast surgeries, a tornado-force wind simulator, K-12 classrooms and labs, and teacher-development programs. More than 250,000 students visit the Science Center each year, and tens of thousands more participate in the Center’s off-site and online programs. Welcoming more than 750,000 visitors annually, LSC is the largest interactive science center in the NYC-NJ metropolitan area.

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