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Nobel Prize Recipients, Astronauts and Authors Mentor Local High School Students in New Program Kicking Off Tonight at LSC

WHAT: *Adventures of the Mind Mentoring Summit* kicks off at Liberty Science Center with interactive exhibits, discussions, and music performed by Julliard students.

Student participants will spend two days meeting, greeting, quizzing, challenging, conversing and dining with the *Adventurer Mentors*: astronauts, artists, athletes, dinosaur-wranglers, economists, engineers, entrepreneurs, Hertz Fellows, inventors, MacArthur Geniuses, six Noble Laureates (including Rita Dove), poets, programmers, public servants, Pulitzer prize winners, scientists, scholars, tech titans like Kickstarter founder Perry Chen, thought leaders, and writers.

WHO: More than 50 extraordinary professionals – from Pulitzer Prize winners and Nobel Prize recipients to cartoonists and poker players – will partner with 100 outstanding NYC/NJ area high school students.

WHEN: TONIGHT, November 9, 2012
5:00 – 10:00 pm

WHERE: Liberty Science Center, 222 Jersey City Boulevard, Jersey City, NJ 07305

WHY: At a critical time in the lives of talented teens, the program brings together exceptional individuals to inspire both students and mentors with ideas to expand horizons and fulfill potential. By providing access to excellence before teens have finalized their post-high school plans, *Adventures of the Mind* mentors can make a significant impact on the students' lives and future contributions to society.

NOTE: LSC's President and CEO, Paul Hoffman, is pleased to participate in the program for the first time. His career has been dedicated to broadly and creatively communicating the fascinating ideas of STEM subjects to the public through print media, film, the Web, museums and exhibitions, scientific institutions, books, and even puzzles. (Learn more at ceo.lsc.org)

About Adventures of the Mind

Adventures is a project of the Student Achievement and Advocacy Service, a 501c3 whose mission is to inspire students to expand their horizons and fulfill their potential. This will be the sixth Summit and will bring their total number of scholarships to almost 800.

About Liberty Science Center

Liberty Science Center (LSC.org) is a 300,000-square-foot learning center located in Liberty State Park on the Jersey City bank of the Hudson near the Statue of Liberty. Dedicated to bringing the excitement of science to people of all ages, Liberty Science Center houses seven museum exhibition halls, a 3D theater, the nation's largest IMAX[®] Dome Theater, live simulcast surgeries, tornado and hurricane-force wind simulators, K-12 classrooms and labs, and teacher-development programs. 600,000 students, teachers, and parents visit the science center each year, and tens of thousands more benefit from the center's offsite and online programs.