

## FALL FEST AT LIBERTY SCIENCE CENTER: PUMPKINS AND MAZES AND APPLE CIDER ... WHAT A TREAT!

LSC Creates NJ's Largest Indoor Pumpkin Patch for Rain-or-Shine Fall Fun

**Jersey City, N.J. (October 4, 2019)** – Autumn has arrived in Jersey City. From a webbed labyrinth and a giant pumpkin patch to an eight-foot-tall haystack and ballistic "apple picking," Liberty Science Center has officially become the premiere fall destination for guests of all ages throughout the month of October.

Liberty Science Center's *Fall Fest* embraces the season by providing a new twist on timeless autumn traditions. Rather than navigating run-of-the-mill corn mazes, guests will explore an outdoor 4,000-square-foot webbed labyrinth known as *The Spider Maze*. Young learners have their very own *Scarecrow Hay Maze* to investigate, while the big kids take on the haystack climbing challenge.

"When you think of the autumn season, there are certain activities that have blossomed into cultural traditions," said Paul Hoffman, President and CEO of Liberty Science Center. "We took family favorites – corn mazes, pumpkin and apple picking, petting zoos – and gave them a scientific spin to present an unforgettable fall experience here at Liberty Science Center."

The ultimate rain-or-shine autumn adventure is enhanced on weekends when a petting zoo and indoor pumpkin patch are added to the offerings. For a \$2 donation, visitors can pick a pumpkin from the largest indoor pumpkin patch in NJ, then paint and take it home to enjoy throughout the season. Other seasonal science experiments include exploring the inside of a pumpkin using endoscopes and using liquid nitrogen to smash one open!

Instagrammable photo ops and seasonal treats like apple cider and pumpkin spice round out the day. The fun continues on October 19 when *Fall Fest* gets "spookified" with all-new Halloween adventures, through the end of October. For more information and to purchase tickets for a one-of-a-kind autumn experience, please visit <u>LSC.org</u>.

## **About Liberty Science Center**

Liberty Science Center (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.