



START SCIENCE COVID-19 POLICY

Every year, hundreds of volunteers contribute hours of their time to organize experiments, conduct modules, provide support for events and keep kids engaged globally. We are so thankful to our volunteers for sharing their time, talent and ideas with us. In light of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, START Science would like to share some of the adjustments we are making to our programs and services, as recommended by the World Health Organization (WHO).

The health and safety of our volunteers and community partners is our top priority. As the COVID-19 situation is evolving, we are postponing in-person volunteer activities at this time. Volunteers are not to enter elementary schools or have in-person contact anyone therewith for the time being. We will be closely monitoring the situation and will provide timely updates if/when we make any changes to this policy, which will be revisited following the conclusion of the Fall 2020 semester. For the time being, START Science will be moving to a virtual platform wherein volunteers may post video content simulating the in-person module experience. We look forward to navigating these changes with each of you, and are so grateful for your continued support.

In solidarity,

START Science Team

Additional Resources:

World Health Organization Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) advice for the public.

How to avoid getting the Novel Coronavirus:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Stay home when you are sick
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then immediately throw the tissue in the garbage and wash your hands
- If you don't have a tissue, sneeze or cough into your sleeve or arm
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces

To prevent the spread of COVID-19, please contact your doctor if you are experiencing the symptoms below:

- Feeling tired
- Difficulty breathing
- A high temperature and/or fever
- A cough and/or sore throat