

Junior Scientist Volunteer FAQs

Thank you for your interest in volunteering with the Junior Scientist Program (JSP) at the St. Petersburg Science Festival. Our volunteers are essential to make the festival a success, and we are grateful to have your time, energy, and talents! This document provides frequently asked questions about what entails to be a JSP volunteer at the festival. Please email the Junior Scientist Program Committee at juniorscientist@stpetescifest.org for any further questions or concerns (Please allow up to 24 hrs for a response).

Am I eligible to be a Junior Scientist?

You must be a middle or high school student to volunteer.

Do I need parent/guardian consent to participate?

You must be authorized by a parent or guardian during your volunteer participation at the Science Festival.

What types of activities can I do as a JSP volunteer at the virtual science festival?

We have three activities to choose from to engage in this year's festival:



Video presentation: Film a 5-7 minute video doing a presentation of your favorite science subject (for example whales, robotics, space)



Backyard Bioblitz: outdoor activity which entails an hour and a half (1.5 hrs) backyard survey of the wildlife surrounding your home.



Moderator at exhibitor Q&A: facilitate questions from the public to the exhibitors during their live presentations.

Is training necessary?

Guidelines for each activity will be provided for participating students and we are available to answer questions.

How will I know what to do?

Guides from each activity will be sent to the email provided after signing up.

Can I get a volunteer work letter?

Volunteers who need to earn extra credit or complete community service can obtain a letter stating volunteer hours or have necessary documents signed at the end of their activity.

How do I sign up to be a volunteer?

Volunteers should complete the online volunteer sign-up form (you can find it at <https://forms.gle/4TD2fhzBEEd26nXRj8>)