

Dear Friend:

Standing at the front of the room in the Fleet's Studio X, fifth grader Samantha and her best friend



demonstrated their findings with great enthusiasm. This young scientist had perfected her experiments through home trial and error and when she was ready, Samantha asked the Fleet to do what we do for scientists throughout our community: connect her to the public.

Budding scientists like Samantha as well as biologists, mathematicians, astrophysicists, chemists, computer scientists and robotics experts have connected to the public through Fleet programs like Two Scientists Walk into a Bar[®], Suds & Science, 52 Weeks of Science, Genius in the House and special demonstration and lecture events. Helping these individuals connect with others who share their passion for science is at the core of the Fleet's mission.



Samantha spoke clearly as she taught the group of 15 adults from Live Up-a program for adults with Down syndrome-the techniques she

had discovered for making various kinds of slime from water and household products. The class was thrilled, and when Samantha continued her hands-on experiment for the children and adults who visited the Fleet's Studio X, they, too, were delighted. Samantha continues to be inspired by science. With the Fleet's help, she has also

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inspired others, creating interest and sparking curiosity about science. Thank you, Samantha, for helping the Fleet fulfill its mission to connect people to the power of science. We can't wait to see what you discover next!



Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Steve Snyder". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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