**Template Letter to Volunteers for a Real-Time STEM + Families Science Festival**

Hello parents/guardians of [Insert School Name],

Did you know that there will be over 9 million STEM jobs created between 2012 and 2022? That’s a 13% increase! Do you want to help students and families discover a love of science?

We are looking for volunteers to help us during [Insert PTA Name]’s STEM *+* FamiliesScience Festival, sponsored by Bayer, at [Insert Time] on [Insert Date] at [Insert Location].

National PTA’s STEM + Families Science Festival program delivers access and hands-on exposure to science, technology, engineering and math to engage families and inspire students to pursue career opportunities in STEM fields.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, we will be having a virtual event. Our goal, however, remains the same–inspiring students (and their families!) to explore science as a career. Volunteer roles include promoting the event, gathering and organizing materials, facilitating the virtual platform and leading experiments in breakout rooms.

If you’re concerned about the experiment part—don’t worry! You do NOT need any STEM expertise to help with this event. Even if you lead a breakout room doing activities, we will have easy-to-follow Facilitator Guides that explain step-by-step instructions.

Research shows that family engagement leads to greater student success. Students who understand and enjoy STEM earn higher grades, attend school regularly, have better social skills and go on to find success post-graduation.

We want to help the students of [Insert School Name] be ready for the future and hope that you can help by volunteering your time to make this event a success!

Please respond to [INSERT NAME] by [INSERT DATE] if you’re interested in getting more information or volunteering.

Sincerely,

[Insert PTA President’s Name]

[INSERT EMAIL AND PHONE NUMBER]