December 13, 2016

Dear Science Teacher:

I am writing to introduce you to the Wiegand Summer Internship at the McGowan Institute for Regenerative Medicine. The Wiegand Summer Internship is designed to provide a high school senior with an introduction to the rapidly evolving area of regenerative medicine and, in particular, regenerative medicine research. The target audience for this internship is high school seniors living in Allegheny County who may not otherwise have such an opportunity due to financial or other circumstances.

The program includes a one-month summer internship at the McGowan Institute and a $1,200 stipend. Candidates who are interested in furthering their studies in biology, biological engineering, chemistry, chemical engineering, or related sciences should apply.

Attached are copies of the policies and procedures as well as an application form. High schools are encouraged to select the most promising and deserving applicant and submit only that candidate for consideration. Applications can be sent to me at the address shown above, and must be postmarked on or before March 31, 2017. Final candidates may be asked to participate in an interview. Final selection will be announced by April 30, 2017.

I look forward to hearing from your high school. If you have any questions concerning the application process or the award, please contact Rebecca Bauroth by e-mail at baurothr@upmc.edu or by telephone at (412) 624-5242, or you can visit our website at www.mcgowan.pitt.edu.

Sincerely,

William R. Wagner, PhD
Director, McGowan Institute for Regenerative Medicine
Professor of Surgery, Chemical Engineering, and Bioengineering
University of Pittsburgh
Wiegand Summer Internship  
McGowan Institute for Regenerative Medicine

Policies and Procedures

1. A $1,200 award will be available in the summer of 2017 to a current high school senior who intends to pursue a four-year degree in biology, biological engineering, chemistry, chemical engineering or related sciences.

2. Current high school seniors who will be graduating in the spring of 2017 from public, parochial, and private schools located in Allegheny County are eligible to apply.

3. The policies and procedures statement and the application form have been mailed to high school principals and science teachers in Allegheny County. These documents can be photocopied if additional copies are needed; they are also available on the McGowan Institute web site at www.mirm.pitt.edu.

4. All applications must be postmarked on or before March 31, 2017 and sent to Rebecca Bauroth, McGowan Institute for Regenerative Medicine, 450 Technology Drive, Suite 300, Pittsburgh, PA 15219.

5. Applicants must submit:
   a. Completed application form with essay
   b. Official school transcript
   c. Copy of SAT or ACT scores, if applicable
   d. Recommendation from a high school advisor and science teacher

Nothing attached to the application in addition to the requested items will be considered. Please type or computer-generate the application form.

6. Final candidates may be asked to interview. The Review Committee will make its final candidate selection by the end of March using the following criteria:
   a. Academics
   b. Essay
   c. Recommendations
   d. Extracurricular activities
   e. Community service
   f. Volunteer work
   g. Future plans
   h. Financial need

Financial need will be an important consideration in determining the recipient of this award. Phone and/or personal interviews are at the discretion of the Review Committee.
Part 3: Extracurricular Activities, Classes, Camps, and Related Activities (past four years)

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Part 4: Community Service, Volunteer Work (past four years):

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Part 5: Future Plans

List up to three colleges to which you have applied or to which you plan to apply:

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Check the boxes of the schools to which you have been accepted.