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## Science Buddies on TV! "Science Mom" Shows How to Foster Children's Interest in Science

Science Buddies vice president Courtney Corda was recently welcomed as resident "Science Mom" on the popular San Francisco-based TV show *View from the Bay*. In recent appearances, Courtney demonstrated engaging, simple, educational Science Buddies projects, as well as tips for how to inspire children's interest in science. Check out the video clips and find more information about how to make science engaging for young students on our [blog](#).



## Teacher Goes Weightless

It's been the dream of both young and old for decades--floating in space. Illinois teacher Erin Moore got pretty close! Ms. Moore was recently selected to participate in the Northrop Grumman [Weightless Flights of Discovery](#) program, and she found out about the opportunity on the [Science Buddies website](#). To read more about this exciting program and what it meant to her, visit the [Science Buddies blog](#).



## Show Your Science Buddies Support!



Support Science Buddies *and* get cool stuff! The [Science Buddies CafePress store](#) now includes logo-wear for everyone. Whether you're at home, on the go, or in your classroom, the Science Buddies logo is featured on a variety of products--from Sigg™ bottles and magnets to t-shirts and more. You can also purchase our 35" x 19.4" Scientific Method poster, which provides an overview of the [six steps of the scientific method](#), as found on our website.

## Check Out the Latest Science Career Profiles

Science Buddies is in the process of adding [Career Profiles](#) to most of our 900+ Project Ideas, and we've recently completed 14 more. Working with our partners in industry and academia, we profile real-life scientists and engineers in expansive career overviews that feature descriptions, required education, video interviews, salaries, and more. The latest profiles include:



- [Astronomer](#)
- [Biochemist](#)
- [Civil engineer](#)

### America's Giving Challenge

Join the [Science Buddies cause at Facebook](#) to show your support of our mission to help increase K-12 science literacy. America's Giving Challenge, presented by Causes, PARADE Publications, and the Case Foundation, runs until November 6th. Joining the cause does not require a donation, but does help raise awareness.

- [Diver](#)
- [Electrical engineer](#)
- [Environmental engineer](#)
- [Mechanical engineer](#)
- [Medical or clinical laboratory technician](#)
- [Microbiologist](#)
- [Multimedia artist or animator](#)
- [Psychologist](#)
- [Sociologist](#)
- [Veterinarian](#)
- [Zoologist and wildlife biologist](#)

### Fans at Facebook

Congratulations to Philadelphia-based science teacher Gloria Weber! Gloria won our Scientific Method Poster giveaway for new fans of Science Buddies at Facebook. Leave a comment in the "What's Your Favorite Science Buddies Resource?" discussion on [our Facebook page](#) between now and November 15th to be entered in a random drawing for a Science Buddies coffee mug!



### Junior Science and Humanities Symposium 2010

The Junior Science and Humanities Symposium Nationals will be held April 28-May 2, 2010 in Bethesda, Maryland. The top students in the six categories will then be selected to represent the United States at the London International Youth Science Forum next summer. Regional competition scholarships range from \$1,000-\$2,000, and national competition scholarships range from \$4,000-\$12,000! If you are interested in this opportunity, begin by [applying for the regional competitions](#).

### Medtronic Foundation Offers Free Family Science Guide



Sponsored by the Medtronic Foundation, *Science Matters* is a free 16-page family science guide, designed as a complement to classroom science exploration. Geared primarily toward 4th-6th graders, *Science Matters* is packed with activities, ideas, and technology profiles that help unlock the world of science and discovery at home and at school. Learn more about the publication, request copies for classrooms or youth groups, or download an electronic version at [www.medtronic.com/foundation](http://www.medtronic.com/foundation).

### The Year of Science 2009 Zine-a-thon Contest

Turn a single sheet of paper into an 8-page mini science magazine about a topic from one of the 12 Year of Science themes to enter the [Year of Science 2009 Zine-a-thon Contest](#). Submissions must be postmarked by November 15, 2009 and will be judged by the School of Art Institute of Chicago and the Field Museum of Natural History.

Science Buddies is a partner organization in the Coalition on the Public Understanding of Science (COPUS) Year of Science 2009 effort. COPUS is a growing grassroots network of those interested in science and science literacy,

including universities, scientific societies, government agencies, and educators, to name a few.

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