

- 1. What is March for Science Indianapolis?
  - a. March for Science Indianapolis is a celebration of Science. It is a nonpartisan and inclusive event aimed at highlighting the impact that Science and Technology have on the Hoosier economy and our communities.
  - b. This is a satellite march in conjunction with the national March for Science in Washington, D.C. While we align with the D.C. march, we are focusing our mission and objectives on celebrating all evidence-based science done in our state that benefits Hoosiers, our economy and our environment. For more information on rallying support in your local community by joining an outreach team in your city, contact: <u>hello@sciencemarchind.org</u>.
- 2. What is the goal of March for Science Indianapolis?
  - a. Our goal is to support our diverse communities throughout the state of Indiana. We all benefit from scientists working in the public and private sector whose innovations improve the lives of our people and our economy while protecting our environment. We advocate for the scientific community's ability to openly communicate their research to the public and policymakers.
- 3. Is March for Science Indianapolis fundraising?
  - a. Yes, we are currently fundraising to pay for city permits and other amenities for those in attendance. Any funds raised beyond our march's needs will be donated to support Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) outreach in our Indiana Public Schools. To make a donation or learn about ways to become involved in STEM outreach, contact: <u>fundraising@sciencemarchind.org</u>.
- 4. Does March for Science Indianapolis have political affiliations?
  - a. We believe Science is nonpartisan, as the discoveries from scientific and technological innovations improve our global society as a whole. We believe science should not be politically driven and ask all politicians to vote in favor of evidence-based policies.
- 5. Where will March for Science Indianapolis be located?
  - a. March for Science Indianapolis will begin at the Indiana Statehouse (200 W Washington St, Indianapolis, IN 46204) and end at Military Park (West New York Street, Indianapolis, IN 46202). Stay up to date with march route details and times by following us on Facebook and Twitter @ScienceMarchIND.
- 6. What will we do during March for Science Indianapolis?
  - a. We will celebrate science! The March for Science Indianapolis is nonviolent and nonpartisan. We will have guest speakers highlight the positive impact science has on Indiana's people, economy and our environment. We will show our pride for how innovation from our state improves our country and the world by marching from the Indiana Statehouse to the Earth Day Indiana Festival at Military Park. We encourage attendees to take action by continuing the promotion of science outreach throughout Indiana beyond April 22.



- 7. Are non-scientists invited?
  - a. Yes! Science is for everyone, and March for Science Indianapolis welcomes all who advocate for science to attend regardless of race, gender, sexual orientation, religion, ability, age, socioeconomic status or immigration status.
- 8. Who does March for Science Indianapolis represent?
  - a. We celebrate the diversity within the scientific community. All scientists, science advocates, and concerned community members are welcome as we embrace people of all races, genders, sexual orientations, religions, ages, abilities, socioeconomic and immigration statuses. Our core planning team stands in solidarity with historically underrepresented scientists and science advocates.
- 9. Can kids come to March for Science Indianapolis?
  - a. We believe children are our world's future innovators and problem solvers. We encourage them to engage in scientific discovery as future scientists and science advocates. We welcome their presence at the march and are working to make this a family-friendly event with speakers that will engage all ages.
- 10. Do I need to register for March for Science Indianapolis?
  - a. You do not have to register to attend March for Science Indianapolis. If you would like to register, to help us with attendance estimates, and donate in the process, please visit our Eventbrite page: <u>https://www.eventbrite.com/e/march-for-science-indianapolis-tickets-32561981764</u>.
- 11. How do I help with March for Science Indianapolis, Indiana?
  - a. We welcome all scientists, science advocates and concerned community members that wish to join this movement. To volunteer, please fill out and submit our volunteer form: <a href="https://sciencemarchind.org/support/join/">https://sciencemarchind.org/support/join/</a>.
- 12. I want my organization to be involved, how can we join March for Science Indianapolis?
  - a. We welcome all science advocates to help mobilize this movement. Please contact <a href="mailto:partner@sciencemarchind.org">partner@sciencemarchind.org</a> to discuss how your organization can join and support March for Science Indianapolis.
- 13. How can people who are unable to attend support March for Science Indianapolis?
  - a. Thank you for your support! We will miss you during the march but there are many ways to advocate for Science. You can support our efforts by <u>donating</u> or purchasing official March for Science Indianapolis <u>merchandise</u>. We also encourage you to follow us on Facebook and Twitter @ScienceMarchIND, and actively post on social media using #MarchForScienceIndy and #IN4Science. Additionally, we believe March for Science Indianapolis is just the beginning of this movement. There are many ways to become involved by supporting Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) outreach throughout our communities. Contact <u>outreach@sciencemarchind.org</u> to learn more about the many STEM outreach opportunities near you.
- 14. Questions from the press may be answered by press@sciencemarchind.org