

SUMMER SCIENCE INSTITUTE: THE BIOLOGY OF CANCER

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School Support Statement Form

To be completed by the principal or appropriate administrator
If you have any questions, please contact us at 352.392.2310 or cpet@cpet.ufl.edu

Summer Science Institute: The Biology of Cancer is a partnership program, joining the talents of high school teachers, the UF Center for Precollegiate Education and Training (CPET), the UF Health Academy for Science and Careers (UF Health ASC), and UF Health Cancer Center Training and Education Program (UFHCC). For the partnership to be successful with measurable outcomes, teachers must commit to the following:

- Attend the one-week Summer Science Institute at UF (Summer 2025) and create an Action Proposal, incorporating cell and cancer biology topics into a classroom-ready unit that addresses state science standards;
- Implement Action Proposals in classrooms during the 2025-2026 school year;
- Model and promote learning via authentic science and engineering practices;
- Provide final Action Proposal lesson plans to UF CPET and UFHCC to make widely available;
- Report results of the Action Proposal to UF CPET and Cancer Center partners by May 22, 2026.

It is essential for the participant’s school and district to provide modest support to ensure successful local implementation of the Summer Science Institute partnership program. For the partnership to be successful with measurable outcomes, schools must commit to the following:

- Encourage and support teachers in implementing Action Proposals;
- Permit CPET and UF Cancer Center staff to visit the classroom for support as the teacher requests;
- Promote and support teacher leadership of in-service training at school and district levels;
- Recognize teachers for their extended in-service, service-learning and community-oriented activities, and Summer Science Institute-related curricular development and testing.

The Summer Science Institute Partnership commits the following to participating teachers:

- \$1000 stipend for successful completion of the Summer Institute and program requirements: attendance of all 5 program days, development and presentation of Action Proposal Draft during program, submission of final Action Proposal before start of Fall term, and impact report on classroom experience;
- Access to biotechnology equipment and supplies;
- Professional on-site support for classroom Action Proposal activities;
- Continued communication and assistance from UF partners during Action Proposal implementation;
- Expertise and support in modifying curricula to align with national and state standards.

Applicant Signature

Administrator Signature

Name Printed

Name Printed and Title

Date

Date

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