

AAI High School Teachers Summer Research Program in Immunology 2025-2026 Administrator Application

The American Association of Immunologists High School Teachers Summer Research Program is designed to assist schools by contributing to the quantity and quality of laboratory science instruction. In order for this to happen, we feel that at least two types of activities must occur after the completion of the summer research experience: The teacher 1) should design and implement new and innovative laboratory teaching exercises, and 2) should share his/her research experiences and new laboratory teaching exercises by providing in-service instruction for other science teachers. This program is viewed as a science-education partnership, involving the contribution of resources by all parties involved.

1. Please complete

Name of Teacher Applicant: _____

School: _____

School District: _____

2. Administrator Information (to be completed by the Teacher's Principal, Curriculum Supervisor or Area Supervisor, as appropriate.

Direct Supervisor: _____

Work Address: _____

Supervisor's Email: _____

Supervisor's Telephone : _____

3. Administrative Support Information

In order to successfully compete for the AAI High School Teachers Summer Research Program, the sponsoring school division must make a commitment to assist the teacher (and hence the school) in maximally benefiting from this experience. This commitment can take a variety of forms, such as; 1) paid release time to design and implement new science laboratory exercises and provide in-service instruction, or 2) financial resources (for equipment, supplies, handouts) to help in the development and implementation of the laboratory exercises. Please describe below what sort of support your school division will provide to the teacher during the year following the summer research program. The extent of this institutional commitment will weigh heavily when selecting applicants.

4. Describe the major characteristics and the student composition of the applicant's school (public vs. private school; urban, suburban, or rural school; percent of minority students in the student population, etc.).

5. Please describe the teacher's past and current performance. Describe any special duties or leadership roles that the teacher has with regard to science education. How do you anticipate that this teacher will be able to help improve science education in your school or school division in the future?

6. Please attach a one-page letter of recommendation for the teacher applying.

Supervisor's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Teachers, administrators, and proposed scientist/mentors (if known) should submit their applications together as a team. Submit applications by email to Dr. Mary Litzinger at mlitzinger@aai.org; please put *The AAI High School Teachers Summer Research Program* in the subject line. Applications must be received by **March 17, 2025**, to be considered.