



FOR TEACHERS/COUNSELORS 2025 FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)

- WHAT IS THE COST? There are no Program tuition costs for this research project. The program includes supplies and academic expenses.
- IS THERE A STIPEND? For the 2025-year, Classroom Teachers (High School levels) will receive a stipend of \$700.00. Other teachers/counselors/participants will receive a stipend of \$500.00.
- IS THERE ANY RISK? Common science lab chemicals, food items, and equipment may be used in the activities for the HS2HC summer program. The curriculum was designed to have the least adverse effect on teachers & students -yet still be engaging. As a precaution, HS2HC will inform you of all items used in activities prior to the start of the activity and a consent agreement will be part of the documentation.
- WHAT COMMUNICATION WILL OCCUR? Communication from HS2HC will be sent to your email addresses provided on the registration. We ask that you add HS2HC@utm.edu to your safe sender's list.
- HOW ARE TEACHERS CHOSEN? We understand that this is an application for participation in the program and enrollment is contingent upon approval by HS2HC staff at their discretion.
- IS THERE A WAITLIST Applications from qualified teachers/counselors will be processed quickly. We expect that the number of applications may exceed available spaces. We will include a waitlist in the selection process.
- WHAT FORMS DO I SIGN? Additional required forms must be signed to participate in the HS2HC (see [registration page](#)). Included in these forms is an informed consent for surveys and for focus group assessments.
- ARE COVID OR OTHER VACCINATIONS REQUIRED? As of Spring 2023 COVID vaccines are not required but recommended. Based on university policies at the time of the activities (and



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CDC recommendations) vaccinations + boosters could be required . We understand that HS2HC cannot guarantee all sites will allow exemptions. As of Spring 2023 “the University of Tennessee Martin main campus and five centers follow Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines related to the COVID-19 pandemic.” (Check CDC “guidance” at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>).