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Molecular Biology Enrichment for Youth Program

Iowa State University, in cooperation with the National Science Foundation and Eli Lilly and Company, is again sponsoring the Molecular Biology Enrichment for Youth program (MBEY).

Students entering eighth or ninth grade are eligible for the program. Applicants should have high ability or high potential in science. The program assumes strong applicant interest in science and will be an "intense" experience. Women, minority and handicapped students are encouraged to apply.

Participants in MBEY learn the latest techniques using state-of-the-art instrumentation. Lectures provide the necessary background for lab activities and each participant designs an independent research project and carries out initial experiments during the final week of the program.

MBEY runs Sunday, June 16, through Saturday, July 13. Grants from the National Science Foundation and Eli Lilly and Company cover all tuition costs. Participants pay only room and board (a total of \$500). Need-based financial aid is available to cover room and board costs. In addition, a limited number of travel grants will be offered.

For more information, contact the Molecular Biology Enrichment for Youth Program, Biochemistry and Biophysics, 397 Gilman Hall, Iowa State University, Ames, IA 50011, ph. (515) 294-7713. The deadline for applications is May 3, 1991.

Science Leadership Institute

The National Science Supervisors Association is sponsoring a one-week institute for Science Leadership at Southern Illinois University's Edwardsville Campus from July 28 to August 2.

Topics to be covered during the institute include business partnerships, writing grant proposals, teacher evaluation methods, "Project 2061," research and the science supervisor, networking through NSSA, science facilities and a high-tech update.

The fee for the institute is \$250 (including accommodations and meals). The fee may be reduced based on the degree of outside support received. For more information or application forms, contact Natalie Tieman, Warren Township High School, 500 North O'Plaine Road, Gurnee, IL 60031.