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Angela Roman-Cavanagh
Michigan Science Center
5020 John R Street
Detroit, MI 48202

RE: Application #: CD820419470 and SD820419471
Mi-Sci Spark! Camps
5100 John R. Street
Detroit, MI 48202

Dear Angela Roman-Cavanagh

Attached is the Original Licensing Study Report for the above referenced facility. The study has determined substantial compliance with applicable licensing statutes and administrative rules. Therefore, original SITE and PROGRAM licenses have been issued.

Please review the enclosed documentation for accuracy and contact me with any questions. If I am not available, and you need to speak to someone immediately, please contact the licensing unit at 517-284-9730.

Sincerely,

James VandenHeuvel

James Vanden Heuvel, Lead Camp Consultant
Camp Licensing Unit
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CAMP ORIGINAL LICENSING STUDY REPORT

Michigan Department of Lifelong Education, Advancement, and Potential

IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

PROGRAM License Number	PROGRAM (Camp) Name		Application Date		
CD820419470	Mi-Sci Spark! Camps		04/23/2025		
PROGRAM Phone Number	**PROGRAM Applicant Address**		**City**	**State**	**Zip**
313-577-8400	5020 John R. Street		Detroit	MI	48202
SITE License Number	**SITE Name**	**Camp SITE Address**	**City**	**State**	**Zip**
SD820419471	Michigan Science Center	5100 John R. Street	Detroit	MI	48202
Camp SITE Telephone	**Applicant/Licensee Designee Name**		**E-Mail**		
313-577-8400	Angela Roman-Cavanagh		Angela.cavanagh@mi-sci.org		

Is the PROGRAM applicant the same as SITE Applicant/Licensee?
☒ Yes ☐ No

Terms: Gender: Both Capacity: 90
From Age:5 To Age: 12

PROGRAM Type
☒ Day ☐ Residential ☐ Troop ☐ Travel

SITE Type
☒ New Day Site ☐ New Residential Site
☐ Existing Day Site ☐ Existing Residential Site

METHODOLOGY

04/23/2025	Enrollment
04/23/2025	PSOR on Address Completed
05/06/2025	Inspection Completed Onsite
06/02/2025	Contact-Document Received-policies/procedures/forms updated
06/02/2025	Contact-Document Sent- policies/procedures/forms approved
06/02/2025	Inspection in Full Compliance
06/02/2025	Recommend License Issuance

DESCRIPTION OF FINDINGS

A. SITE DESCRIPTION

Outdoor
- ☒ Acreage: .5
- ☒ Water Supply: Public
- ☒ Sewage: Public
- Bodies of Water: ☐ Lake(s) ☐ Pond(s) ☐ River(s) ☐ Pool(s)
- ☒ Other: city setting

Indoor
- Sleeping: ☐ Dormitory ☐ Cabins ☐ Tents ☒ None
- Dining: ☒ Dining Hall ☒ Outdoor
- Health Area: ☐ Center ☒ Office ☒ Isolation
- Activity Area(s): ☐ Classrooms ☐ Craft Rooms ☒ Gym ☒ Multipurpose ☐ Indoor pool(s)
- Bathroom(s): ☒ Indoor ☐ Portable ☒ Accessible
- Fire Safety: QFI N/A
- Env. Health: EHI: N/A

High Adventure
- Aquatics: ☐ Swimming ☐ Sailing ☐ Canoe/kayak ☐ Waterskiing ☐ Tubing ☐ Waterslide
- Target: ☐ Archery ☐ Riflery ☐ Other:
- Trail Sport: ☐ Biking ☐ Horseback ☐ Go Carts ☐ Other:
- Adventure: ☐ Low Obstacle ☐ High Ropes ☐ Rappelling ☐ Climbing ☐ Zipline ☐ Gymnastics
- Travel: ☒ Day Trips ☐ Overnight Off-site
- Other: ☐ ☐
- Winter Sports: ☐ ☐

Findings: This day camp site is located at the University Preparatory Science and Math Middle School building connected the Michigan Science Center in the city of Detroit. The facility includes classrooms and multipurpose indoor sheltering spaces, as well as access to hands-on STEM activities from the center. The outdoor space includes grassy areas for camp activity like arts and crafts, STEM activities, and team building. The campsite is located with 1 mile of Henry Ford Hospital. The campsite meets applicable camp licensing rules.

B. PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Operation Schedule Period (days, times, season)	Summer Only, week long themed camps from June-August.
Staffing (Adult Staff to Camper Ratio)	1 Adult to 10 Campers maximum

Training (Staff Training Content and Time)	☒ proper supervision ☒ behavior management ☒ program development for age groups ☒ child protection ☒ plans for emergencies, rain, and regular camp operations. Proposed Staff Training Hours (3 hours per week of service): ☒Yes ☐No

Findings: This day camp program called Mi-Spark! Camp host multiple week-long themed science day camps designed for students entering grades K–5. Held from June through mid-August, the program's mission is to inspire young people to discover, explore, and appreciate STEM concepts in a creative, dynamic learning environment using Mi-Sci's 220+ interactive exhibits, immersive theater experiences (such as the Planetarium and IMAX® Dome), plus hands-on activities and experiments. Each week focuses on a unique STEM theme—engineering and chemistry, space exploration, ecology, creativity, and invention—ensuring campers engage deeply with a variety of scientific disciplines. Activities may include off-site field trips, time outdoors in the amphitheater or playground (weather permitting), and visits to various exhibit galleries and theaters aligned with the weekly topic. Camp runs Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.–4 p.m., with optional before-care (8 a.m.) and after-care (until 5:30 p.m.) available. In summary, Mi-Spark! Camp at Mi-Sci Center offers well-structured, professionally staffed STEM enrichment programs, supporting the Science Center's mission to spark curiosity and foster hands-on learning in a licensed, engaging, and educational setting. This day camp meets applicable camp licensing rules.

C. RULE/STATUTORY VIOLATIONS

The camp PROGRAM and SITE were found to be in substantial compliance with statute and administrative rules.

RECOMMENDATION

I recommend issuance of an original SITE and PROGRAM licenses to this day children's camp.

James Vanden Heuvel	James Vanden Heuvel	6/27/2025
Consultant's Signature	Printed Name/Licensing Consultant	Date
D S Ramsey	Deondra S. Ramsey	6/30/2025
Approved By:	Printed Name/ Manager	Date

Commented [JV1]: @Ramsey, Deondra (MiLEAP) please review and sign this original

Commented [DR2R2]: signed