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## miSci Gives Free Memberships to Whispering Pines Preschool Families

**Schenectady, New York, July 5, 2023** — The Museum of Innovation and Science (miSci), the Capital Region's largest science museum, and home to the Suits-Bueche Planetarium, will donate 210 Family Memberships to Whispering Pines Preschool students and their families.

This generous gift will further miSci's mission: "to inspire people to celebrate and explore science and technology past, present, and future," and engage new learners and their families with miSci's unique exhibits and programs. miSci is committed to welcoming all audiences and to providing children and families of all backgrounds with access to hands-on, immersive STEAM programming designed to inspire the next generation of scientists and inventors. miSci has offered a very popular program for pre-k students titled *Little Edisons* for several years and plans to expand that programming in Fall 2023.

"miSci is delighted to work with Whispering Pines Preschool to welcome their students and families to the Museum and experience STEAM learning in an accessible and fun way. We look forward to seeing these new families at miSci soon," stated miSci President, Gina Gould.

"Whispering Pines is very excited to be afforded this opportunity to share with children and families. With our program's expanding number of families, it is important to us to be able to find accessible and stimulating hands-on learning experiences outside of the school environment and away from hand-held technology." Amy Frank, Director of Programs at Whispering Pines Preschool in Amsterdam.

## About miSci

Founded in 1934, miSci is a center for learning, imagination, and creativity. It is housed in a 44,270square-foot facility that includes gallery space, the Suits-Beuche Planetarium, and classrooms. The Museum's collections and archives include more than 15,000 science and technology artifacts, and more than two million photographs documenting the history of electricity, electronics, and the impact of technological change. Artifacts from the collections and archives are often featured in the Museum's exhibitions and programs.

## **About Whispering Pines**

Whispering Pines Preschool is a private preschool, which provides dynamic educational and therapy services to young children with special needs. They have five sites throughout the greater Capital Region that also partner with multiple area school districts to provide a New York

State Education Department funded Universal Pre-Kindergarten (UPK) program.

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