



Blast Off with a Special MODS in Space FREE Admission Day Presented by Florida Prepaid College Savings Plans

Guest Receive FREE General Admission to MODS on February 5, 2022!

Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (January 13, 2022) — <u>Museum of Discovery and Science (MODS)</u> is proud to announce a **Free Admission Day**, presented by <u>Florida Prepaid College Savings</u> <u>Plans</u>, on Saturday, February 5, 2022. Families will blast off with MODS in Space activities to help celebrate Prepaid Plan Open Enrollment with **FREE** general admission.

"Big, vibrant futures start with a visit to MODS, where we connect ALL guests to inspiring science," said **Joseph P. Cox, president and CEO at MODS**. "We are excited to partner with Florida Prepaid to offer a FREE day of Museum adventures and college-bound conversations for our community. The missions of MODS and Florida Prepaid are so closely aligned, in that we both want children to pursue learning and the education of their dreams."

During the Florida Prepaid **FREE** Admission Day, guests of all ages, backgrounds, cultures, socioeconomic levels and family structures can:

- Explore the Museum's newest travelling exhibit, Planet Pioneers: Journey to Space, and learn about an easy and affordable journey to college with a Florida Prepaid College Plan.
- Discover the science of astronomy, physics and geology at the Earth and Space station, experiment with the forces of gravity, friction, air pressure and centripetal forces in our Fascinating Forces demonstration and go on a guided Rock Talks tour with our MODS' in-house geologist.
- Make-and-take a spacecraft, learn the physics of celestial bodies, explore the geology of
 planets and moons, as well as participate in Pop-Up Science activities including a
 parachute and wind chute challenge.
- Investigate aviation and space exploration careers.
- Upgrade to catch an IMAX documentary on the GIANT screen for only \$5 per person!
 Museum members always receive free admission and IMAX documentary films, such as Asteroid Hunters, A Beautiful Planet, Dream Big, Hubble 3D, Space Station and more!

"Today's aspiring scientists, engineers and astronauts become tomorrow's college graduates," said Florida Prepaid College Board Chairman John D. Rood. "This museum day is a great opportunity for families to let children open their minds to so many future career opportunities while starting to think about how to save affordably for college."

To register, please visit mods.org/floridaprepaidday.

ABOUT THE FLORIDA PREPAID COLLEGE BOARD

The Florida Prepaid College Board manages the Stanley G. Tate Florida Prepaid College Program and the Florida 529 Savings Plan. Both are tax-favored 529 college savings plans authorized by Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code. In 1987 the Florida Prepaid College Program was created by the Florida Legislature and the commitment and dedication of Mr. Stanley G. Tate to provide Florida families with an affordable means to save for their children's future college education. The first Florida Prepaid College Plans were sold in 1988 and were augmented with the addition of the Florida 529 Savings Plan in 2002. The Board also oversees two direct-support organizations – The Florida Prepaid College Foundation and Florida ABLE, Inc., d/b/a ABLE United. Florida Prepaid is the largest, longest running and most successful prepaid plan in the nation with more than 2 million Florida Prepaid College Plans purchased and more than \$15 billion in assets. The 529 Savings Plan has more than 100,000 active accounts with a market value of more than \$1 billion. For more information, please visit myfloridaprepaid.com.

ABOUT MUSEUM OF DISCOVERY AND SCIENCE

Founded in 1976 as the Discovery Center, today the Museum of Discovery and Science (MODS) is at the forefront of science education, innovation and exploration. MODS connects people to inspiring science. The Museum encompasses more than 150,000 square feet of interactive exhibits. This includes all of our permanent and traveling exhibits, as well as our outdoor Science Park. Families can enjoy super science shows and demonstrations, wild Creature Feature animal encounters, private experiences, mind-blowing Makerspace labs, cool camps, unforgettable birthday parties, engaging field trips and STEM curricula, professional development workshops for educators, distinguished speakers, and more. In addition to daily hours, MODS is currently offering virtual and offsite programming. MODS' STEMobile delivers STEM education on location across South Florida! A STEMobile experience ranges from one-hour to full-day with programming for pre-kindergarten through adult and is available for schools, community centers, corporate team building and special events! All programs can be customized for time, group size and age group. Book a STEMobile visit today. Free programs and scholarships are available!

The Museum celebrates diversity and welcomes visitors from all walks of life. The Museum hours are Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. MODS is located downtown at 401 SW Second Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33312. For more information about the Museum, please visit mods.org or call 954.467.MODS (6637).

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