

# Chicago **EYES** on Cancer

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Dear Principal or Department Chair,

Thank you for supporting an applicant to the Chicago EYES on Cancer program at the University of Chicago. Chicago EYES on Cancer welcomes secondary science teachers from the Chicago area to expand their capacity for inquiry-driven, project-based instruction. Participants work full-time for two consecutive summers in the laboratories of established cancer researchers, gaining hands-on experience in areas at the forefront of the field: cancer immunology, pharmacogenomics of anticancer agents, experimental cancer therapeutics, cancer disparities and more. The summer experience also includes a cancer-based scientific lecture series and career talk series, individualized mentoring, and a culminating research symposium for colleagues, family, and members of the scientific community. During the school year, fellows receive ongoing support as they implement new knowledge and skills in the classroom. More information about the program can be found here: [www.uchicagomedicine.org/EYES](http://www.uchicagomedicine.org/EYES).

Please prepare a letter supporting your applicant's involvement in Chicago EYES on Cancer. You should discuss the applicant's qualities as both a science educator and colleague, using examples from their classroom performance, interactions with students, and collaboration with peers. Please also discuss how the applicant's participation in the program might benefit your school community more broadly. Letters can be submitted through our online form, accessible here: [https://redcap.link/EYES\\_teacherLOS\\_2023](https://redcap.link/EYES_teacherLOS_2023).

**For full consideration, please submit your letter by 11:59PM Central on Monday, February 20, 2023.** Please direct all questions to [EYES@bsd.uchicago.edu](mailto:EYES@bsd.uchicago.edu) or call 773-702-9699. We look forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely,

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