



## Grand Opening of The Science Center @ MHCM



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POUGHKEEPSIE – It's finally official! At the end of this month the Mid-Hudson Children's Museum will be opening The Science Center @ MHCM!



This new space is dedicated to early STEM education and invites young children and families to explore physics, engineering, light, color, magnetism and more through open-ended, hands-on play. In addition to new and updated exhibits, be sure to check out our Pop-up Science Cart, which will be home base for live science demonstrations, shows and special activities.

Please join them during their celebration:

IBM EMPLOYEE PREVIEW NIGHT – Tuesday, February 23 from 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm. For IBM Corporation employees only: get the first peek at The Science Center @ MHCM! Special hands-on activities and refreshments will be provided. The Mid-Hudson Children’s Museum is pleased to recognize the lead support of the IBM Corporation in the development of The Science Center @ MHCM.

RIBBON CUTTING RECEPTION – Friday, February 26 at 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm. Grown-ups are invited to join the Mid-Hudson Children’s Museum and the Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce for a special ribbon-cutting event to officially open The Science Center @ MHCM. Refreshments will be served and admission is free for this event.

MHCM MEMBER PREVIEW NIGHT – Friday, February 26 from 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm. For MHCM Museum Members only: get a special sneak peek of The Science Center @ MHCM! Special hands-on activities and refreshments will be provided.

OPENING WEEKEND – Saturday, February 27 from 9:30 am – 5:00 pm; Sunday, February 28 from 11:00 am – 5:00 pm. Join us for the grand opening of The Science Center @ MHCM! Explore new hands-on exhibits in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) by designing, building, and experimenting in fun and colorful ways. Opening weekend will feature special activities, live demonstrations and more! Free with museum admission.

The Science Center @ MHCM was developed with major support from IBM Corporation and the Jeannette F. Schlobach Charitable Trust, and will be sustained through a special corporate membership program.

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