



**MOREHEAD  
PLANETARIUM+  
SCIENCE CENTER**

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

We are very excited to be able to provide a new learning experience for your child. UNC-Chapel Hill's Morehead Planetarium and Science Center is bringing North Carolina's only digital portable planetarium to your school this semester. The portable planetarium makes learning science fun!

To prepare for the visit, we ask you to review and complete the attached form.

The release form, required for many UNC outreach efforts, is designed to assist in providing for the safety of minor children during Morehead activities. The release form includes a photo release. If you do not want your child to be photographed, please write, "No photos" on the form below your signature. This consent form must be correctly filled out and signed in order for your child to participate in the experience.

Morehead's portable planetarium is an inflatable dome in which a class of students can sit comfortably. The sides of the dome are lightweight cotton polyester fabric and lift easily, allowing for easy exit. The dome is wheelchair accessible.

The children sit on stadium cushions on the floor, while the show is projected (like a movie) around them on the inside surface of the dome. An experienced Morehead educator facilitates the show, and your child's teacher will be with the class during the entire program.

Many people are unfamiliar with these types of shows, so I hope that this information is interesting and helpful in preparing you to ask your child about the planetarium experience. If you need additional information, please feel free to contact me directly at 919-962-8438.

Sincerely,

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