



## Cargill Deicing Technology donates \$100,000 to Sciencenter

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Cargill Mine Manager Shawn Wilczynski presented a \$100,000 check to Dean Briere, executive director of the Sciencenter, Tuesday to support the museum's Science for All initiative.

Science for All provides free field trips to the Sciencenter for all 2nd grade students in Cayuga County, in perpetuity, according to Amy Gaulke, a spokeswoman for the Sciencenter.

"This generous donation from Cargill greatly expands the Sciencenter's field trip programming to now reach all of Cayuga County," said Dean Briere, executive director of the Sciencenter. "Thanks to Cargill, every 2nd grade class will have the opportunity to visit the Sciencenter on programmed school field trips, for free, for as long as the Sciencenter stands. We are incredibly grateful to Cargill for making this possible."

The Science for All initiative is an endowed program of the Sciencenter that provides annual field trips to the Sciencenter for all 700 2nd grade students living in Cayuga County, a media release stated. This initiative is a critical element in the Sciencenter's vision to empower every young person to use science in shaping a better future.

"We are delighted to partner with the Sciencenter on this initiative," Wilczynski said. "This community is where our families live, work, and go to school. We know how important it is to invest in our children's future so they have the skills, tools and education to succeed in life."

The donation allows the museum to give free "Come Back" passes to field trip students and their families, the news release stated. The supplemental educational programming provided through Science for All meets Next Generation Science Standards.

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