Davis, West Virginia — On June 9, 2015, the National Youth Science Foundation (NYSF) achieved a major milestone. With the enthusiastic support of West Virginia’s congressional delegation; residents and elected officials from the Canaan Valley, Davis, Thomas, and Tucker County communities; and with the extraordinary support of alumni of the National Youth Science Camp, the NYSF finalized the transaction to acquire ownership of the Research and Education Center and Research Support Building and associated property and appurtenances constructed by the Canaan Valley Institute at a cost of nearly $20 million.

Located in Tucker County near Davis, West Virginia, this 39-acre campus is LEED Certified (Silver) by the US Green Building Council and is situated adjacent to 111 acres already owned by the NYSF. The NYSF intends to conduct programs here that are consistent with its mission and the mission of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

NYSF Chairman Ronald Pearson acknowledged the support and assistance of United States Senator Joe Manchin whose meetings with NOAA officials were instrumental in the acquisition of this property. Chairman Pearson said that Senator Manchin was tireless in his outreach and very effective in describing the importance of this facility to the NYSF’s efforts to enrich STEM education in the region and across the nation. The Research and Education Center includes a 200-seat conference hall, a 39-seat tiered computer lecture hall, a teaching laboratory, a research laboratory, and administrative office space. Broadband WiFi is available throughout the building. The Research Support Building is nearby and will house the NYSF’s outdoor adventure program that includes mountain biking, backpacking, kayaking, rock climbing, and caving. A bridge is currently under construction that will connect this property with the NYSF’s 111-acres of undeveloped land. The bridge is expected to be open to traffic by December 2015.

See more online at http://davis.nysf.com.

NYSC on YouTube
The NYSF has created a YouTube channel showing NYSC activities. Whether you want to reminisce about your experience at the NYSC or catch up on the latest NYSC lecture, the NYSC on YouTube is a great place to go. http://youtube.nysc.org.

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NYSF - Davis, West Virginia Campus - The National Youth Science Foundation continues to seek support for the first five years of operation of its Davis, West Virginia campus. This support will enable to the NYSF to develop new STEM programs and accelerate its plans to transfer operation of the National Youth Science Camp to this magnificent facility.

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NATIONAL YOUTH SCIENCE CAMP 2015
A Unique Experience for a Unique Group

What continues to make the NYSC experience so unique and valuable? Is it the remote location, the rustic atmosphere, the engaging presenters, the talented and diverse peer group, the outdoor adventure program, the surprising special events, or the seemingly tireless staff? Clearly, the whole is much more than simply the sum of its parts. Whatever the forces and chemistry that are at play in creating this phenomenon, the 2015 NYSC was no different in terms of the outcome produced - a unique experience for a unique group.

Lilly Chiou (NM 2015) shares, "The time I had at Camp was truly exceptional. I had my reservations about coming to WV since I had no idea what to expect, but I loved it. I came to appreciate living day by day and just focusing on now ... that was a special factor of camp. I also made memories here that I will never forget and friends that will last a lifetime..."

Patrick Myers (CT 2015) explains it this way, "In just one month, I became a more outgoing person. I became more willing to take risks, I became even more curious than I was before and even more motivated to succeed. All of this because of the amazing Staph, speakers, guests, and everybody involved with the NYSC. But most importantly, I am very proud to be a part of the NYSC family. I cannot thank the NYSF enough for all that was done for me. It was the best month of my life, and I know that is true for most of the other campers as well. I hope that when I am older, the NYSC is still around so that my kids can apply to have the same opportunity that I did. Thank you!"

Even though each NYSC has its own special combination of variables with unique surprises and memories, this ongoing experiment, replicated over 50 times, continues to produce significant results for its participants and connects them to all previous experimental subjects - or what we affectionately call NYSC Alumni. For more information about the 2015 NYSC, please go online to http://2015.nysc.org.

Dr. Rudolph E. Tanzi, RI 1976
NYSC Alumnus of the Year - 2015

Dr. Rudolph E. Tanzi is the Joseph P. and Rose F. Kennedy Professor of Neurology at Harvard University, and Vice-Chair of Neurology and Director of the Genetics and Aging Research Unit at Massachusetts General Hospital. Dr. Tanzi directs the Alzheimer’s Genome Project and has discovered many of the genes responsible for Alzheimer’s disease and other neurological disease genes including those responsible for Wilson’s disease. He is also developing several novel therapies for Alzheimer’s, two of which are in clinical trials in patients.

Dr. Tanzi has co-authored over 460 research articles, including three of the top ten most cited AD papers and contributes regularly to Huffington Post and San Francisco Chronicle. He also co-authored the popular trade books “Decoding Darkness: The Search for the Genetic Causes of Alzheimer’s Disease” and New York Times Bestseller, “Super Brain” with Dr. Deepak Chopra. Dr. Tanzi also hosts the nationwide public television special, “Super Brain with Dr. Rudolph Tanzi” that explores new discoveries in neuroscience to maximize the potential of the human brain in practical and actionable ways.

Dr. Tanzi will present a lecture at 7:00 PM on December 2, 2015, in the Geary Auditorium in Riggleman Hall on the campus of the University of Charleston, West Virginia. For more information, please see http://tanzi.nysc.org.