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NORTH PHILLY SCIENCE SCHOOL STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN PRESS PREVIEW OF GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER EXHIBIT

Friday, November 13, 10 a.m.

WHAT: Students from George Washington Carver School for Engineering and Science, a North Philadelphia public magnet high school, are the first to tour the Academy of Natural Sciences' fall exhibit *George Washington Carver*. (The exhibit itself opens the next day, Saturday, Nov. 14.) A student will speak about the school's namesake and students will be available to talk to the media.

WHEN: Friday, November 13, 10 a.m.–11:30 a.m.

10 a.m.–10:15 a.m.: Students, media tour exhibit

10:15 a.m.–10:25 a.m.: Brief remarks by Academy President William Brown, a student from the Carver school, and Thomas Anderson, founder of the George Washington Carver Science Fair.

10:25 a.m.–11:30 a.m.: Free time in exhibit

WHERE: The Academy of Natural Sciences, 1900 Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia. Please enter at the members entrance on 19th Street.

BACKGROUND: George Washington Carver, a groundbreaking scientist, educator and humanitarian who laid the groundwork for organic farming and today's research on plant-based fuels, is the subject of a new exhibit at the Academy of Natural Sciences beginning Saturday, Nov. 14. *George Washington Carver* makes its East Coast debut with more than 150 historical artifacts, videos, interactive displays and re-created scenes that trace Carver's modest beginning as a child of a slave in the Deep South to a world-renowned scientist with a postage stamp, submarine and national monument in his honor. For more information: <http://www.ansp.org/press/press-kits.php>

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The Academy is located at 1900 Benjamin Franklin Parkway and is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and weekends until 5 p.m. Admission is \$12 for adults, \$10 for children ages 3-12, seniors, college students with I.D. and military personnel, and free for children under 3. There is an additional \$2 fee for Butterflies!

Founded in 1812, the Academy of Natural Sciences is the oldest natural science research institution and museum in the Americas and a world leader in biodiversity and environmental research. The mission of the Academy is the encouragement and cultivation of the sciences.