



# MSU Science Saturday

Nov. 22, 2008



On Saturday, Nov. 22, 2008, more than 100 kids and 30 parents came to MSU to learn more about **viruses** in the first-ever MSU Science Saturday, a hands-on science event for kids. Families learned how MSU's virus research might help cure cancer or create the world's smallest computer, and kids earned stamps for their "SciPass" passports after building a virus cage and constructing a bacteriophage. Future MSU Science Saturdays will cover magnetism, energy and other topics.

Science Saturdays are sponsored by the Center for Bio-Inspired Nanomaterials (CBIN) and MSU Extended University, with support from the Undergraduate Chemistry Society.



Above: Chemistry Professor Brian Bothner shows how to build a virus cage; **A.** Jack Forrest, 6, shows off his SciPass and bacteriophage; **B.** CBIN Director Trevor Douglas gets down and dirty with a virus cage model; **C.** Chemistry students wow'd the crowd with liquid nitrogen ice cream.

