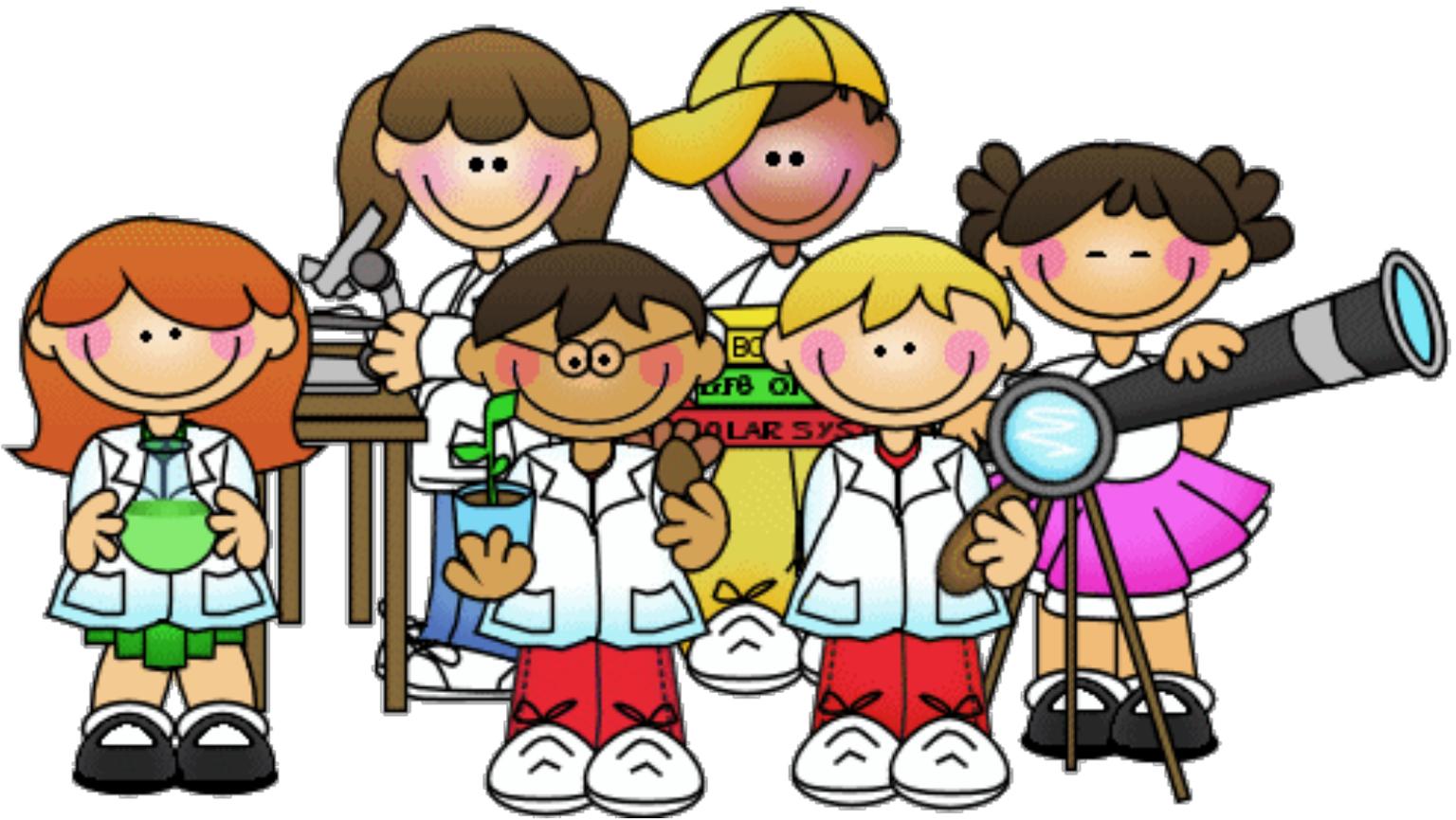


The PwC Scholars'
Community Service Day Project
Spring 2010



Discovery Center

2010 Community Service Project

During the fall of 2009 and spring of 2010, the PwC Scholars planned and implemented a community service project at the Binghamton Discovery Center (Binghamton Children's Museum). The goal of the project was to convert an unused portion of their parking lot and turn it into a play space.



This \$8,029 project was made possible with the collaboration of the Scholars and employees at the Discovery Center. The Scholars worked closely with Pokey Crocker, the director of the Discovery Center, as well as Donna Jones-Wright, Martha Steed, and Cheryl Dutko, who are all executives and employees of the Discovery Center. Additionally, the Scholars worked closely with Nancy Hargrave, the Story Garden Coordinator at the Discovery Center.

During the summer of 2009, the Discovery Center's Story Garden was vandalized. The Binghamton community was very upset by this and the Scholars program wanted to find a way to help give back and support the Discovery Center.



The project consisted of repaving an old parking lot by their Story Garden and putting up a fence around the area so that children could safely play. Additionally, other items were built for the space, such as the garbage cans, a balance beam, a bench, a decorative arbor entryway, and converted an old playhouse from the Story Garden into a shed where toys could be stored. We also built and donated new toys to be used in this new space, such as several tricycles for the children to enjoy. The Scholars also put down sod, mulch, and planted flowers

throughout this new space and on the path that we built connecting the Story Garden to this new space.



Along with the construction, the Scholars worked with the preschool classes at the Discovery Center and helped open the Story Garden in the spring/summer. Additionally, during the 2010/2011 project, some of the Scholars applied new layers of paint and did some additional planting around the space to give it a fresh look for the season.