

## Traveling Science Workshops Video Script

**Narrator: Anyone who visits The Discovery Museums in Acton knows that here children find a rare chance to explore the thrill of scientific discovery all on their own.**

Sound On Tape (SOT): Wow it's floating!

**Narrator: I'm Jill Foster, I'm the Director of School Programs here at the Discovery Museums.**

**Can you imagine how wonderful it would be to take the excitement around science found here and deliver it to a child's classroom?**

**Well guess what? You can.**

SOT: music

**Voiceover (VO): The program is called Traveling Science Workshops**

SOT: Good morning boys and girls

**VO: And every year it reaches 26,000 students in schools throughout New England.**

SOT: Oh my gosh, I squeezed my hand and look.

**VO: Sixteen subjects range from bubbles to magnets...**

SOT: I did it!

**VO: ...to physical changes of matter.**

SOT: It's changing to a gas

**VO: But whatever subject is taught...the lesson is the same:  
Science is unbelievably fun, especially when *you* are the scientist.**

SOT: music

SOT: Teacher: It was so interesting to see them get so excited. They were just so engaged in what was happening in the Workshop. It was incredible to see the students like that.

SOT: music

SOT: Principal: It's the best complement to our curriculum. It really brings the learning alive for the kids.

SOT: music

SOT: student: I was experiencing new things that I've never tried before.

**VO: As we bring the traveling science workshops from school to school, we don't just bring fun we bring scientific content that is aligned exactly to Massachusetts curriculum requirements.**

SOT: Now I know how it moves

SOT: Principal: As a principal we have a budget and we buy as much as we can for the curriculum, but the PTO is so generous and they funded these enrichment opportunities at the Discovery Museum. It is probably the most important thing that they can do for us because not only do their children enjoy it, but it's also tied directly to learning.

**VO: And even the teachers report that they are learning too.**

SOT: Teacher: I learned so much from the woman that just did the presentation myself. Just how to talk to the kids about the topic of bubbles...

SOT: Reach up high reach down low, move your hands around, yes look at that.

SOT: ...Watching how she engaged the children I was thinking oh I could do that.

**VO: And how much does this program cost?...**

SOT: PTO Parent: One of the wonderful things about the Discovery Museums is the affordability of the programs. If you were to divide the cost by student you're really talking about a just few dollars for each child to receive this hour long program.

**VO: And if you ask the students and the teachers what those few dollars will bring, they will tell you it's like magic.**

SOT: I was like is that a magic trick? Because that is so cool I don't know how she did that.

**VO: And it is that magical feeling they get from actually doing science that empowers children to explore their world.**

SOT: Yellow, blue and violet

**VO: They will never see it the same way again.**

**Narrator: To bring hands-on science to your school contact me, Jill Foster at The Discovery Museums.  
Thank you for watching.**