**Smithsonian Science Education Center 40th Anniversary Video transcript**

Science begins with a question. A spark. A moment of wonder. For centuries, we have sought to understand—The stars, the sea, the cells within us. To map, to measure, to make sense of the unknown. But how do we ignite that spark in our youngest explorers? That passion for solving life’s greatest mysteries? Where does it begin? For the past forty years, The Smithsonian Science Education Center has led the way—Moving learning beyond the page, Beyond the lecture, into the hands of students, and teachers in classrooms. By sharing the vast knowledge of the Smithsonian, the center brings the mysteries of science to life in schools and builds a foundation for the future, here and abroad. Science is more than what we discover. It’s a tool to transform the world around us– overcome challenges, solve problems, and unlock new possibilities. If science begins with a question...What will they ask next?