Valero Young Scientist Program at Texas Biomed

Texas Biomedical Research Institute (Texas Biomed) is a leader in infectious disease research with a deep commitment to the health of our local, national and global community. To continue our excellence in research takes skilled and talented researchers. With the support of Valero, Texas Biomed created the inaugural Valero Young Scientist Program. This multidisciplinary program provided an immersive four-week summer program for 35 San Antonio rising juniors and seniors. The students are engaging with Texas Biomed researchers to learn more about infectious diseases and the diverse career pathways available in STEM fields. Throughout the program, students participate in challenging laboratory experiments which mirror the experiments conducted by scientists in infectious disease research labs. Along with developing foundational research skills, students participate in *Prepping for Your Future* sessions engaging in activities to develop soft skills such as networking, communication, and presentation skills. The students explore career opportunities within the biosciences as they engage with a variety of current infectious disease research literature authored by Texas Biomed researchers.

To learn more about this program we invite you to visit: https://www.ksat.com/news/local/2024/07/10/texas-biomeds-new-program-aims-to-open-new-opportunities-for-underrepresented-students/

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