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Great Minds in STEM™ and Lockheed Martin Corporation Conduct STEM Program in Denver, Colorado

Monterey Park, CA, November 21, 2014 – Great Minds in STEM™ (GMiS) and Lockheed Martin Corporation will showcase a Viva Technology program at Lake International School on November 20 - 21, 2014. This will be the fourth and final program of the year under this partnership and marks the first time a program will be hosted by the Denver, Colorado school.

As part of GMiS’ series of national K-12 education programs, Viva Technology™ engages students, teachers and parents with STEM challenges that stimulate an interest in the applications of technology and provide a STEM-focused career pathway. The teacher element will provide educators with STEM resources to enrich their classroom environment and shares the current state of the nation’s technical workforce. The parent component will provide information to help parents encourage their children to excel in math and science and envision themselves as future engineers and scientists. Both program elements will occur on November 20th during the hours of 4PM - 8PM.

Viva Technology™ Student Day, will take place on Friday, November 21st from 9AM – 3:30PM and will host approximately 120 middle school students who will experience a full day of STEM project-based exercises that challenge their understanding of the Engineering and Science Design Process. Local STEM college students from the University of Denver, University of Colorado at Boulder and Metropolitan State University of Denver, will assist as College Captain near peer mentors guiding the teams through the various activities. Supporting the two-day event will be Lockheed Martin Space Systems, Ms. Maria Ruess, GMiS Board Member and Vice President of International Business Development, along with keynote speaker for the student day, Ms. Kathryn Tobey, Vice President and General Manager of Special Programs, also of Lockheed Martin Space Systems Company.

About Great Minds in STEM™

Great Minds in STEM™ is a national 501(c)3 nonprofit organization based in Los Angeles County. GMiS is proud to celebrate 26 years of keeping America technologically strong through the delivery of national science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) awareness programs for students, parents and teachers in underserved communities; providing opportunities for the academic and career development of underrepresented students and professionals in STEM; and honoring the excellent contributions of our nation's Hispanic engineers and scientists. With a national presence through its education programs as well as its college and professional offerings, the organization is working to ensure that the U.S. maintains its status as the world's technology leader.

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