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Great Minds in STEM™ and STEM-Up Initiative Partner to Bring the Viva Technology™ Program to Utah Elementary School in Los Angeles, California

As a proud step in continuing the ongoing effort to expose middle school students to science, technology, engineering, and math careers (STEM), Great Minds in STEM™ and the STEM-Up Initiative partnering to return the nationally acclaimed Viva Technology™ Program to Utah Elementary School in Los Angeles, California.

Viva Technology™ is Great Minds in STEM™'s National K-12 Educational Program. It is designed to engage students, parents and teachers in activities that stimulate their interest in the applications of technology and provide a STEM career focused path to higher education. It also helps students understand the correlation between their math and science studies and the many exciting careers in technology.

The student portion will take place on Friday, February 10, 2012 from 8:00am to 2:52pm.

The Viva Technology™ Student Program will aim to empower, educate, and excite the students of Utah Elementary School about their many STEM career opportunities. Students will experience a day filled with hands-on competitive and educational exercises designed to explore math and science concepts. Attendees will work in teams led by engineering and science college students from surrounding universities and colleges including, but not limited to, California State University Long Beach and Pasadena Community College.

Present at the event to give a key note speech, will be Ivan Diaz, Director, Parks Development and Integration – Facilities and Operations Services from Walt Disney Park and Resorts. Additionally, Mr. Diaz is the 2011 HENAAC Chairman's Award Recipient.

Active participation gives students opportunities to accrue points and win educational technology related prizes at the end of the day.

For more information about Viva Technology™ and future programs please visit www.vivatechnology.org

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Be a national leader in keeping America technologically strong by promoting Science, Technology, Engineering and Math careers especially in underserved communities.

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