

Northrop Grumman Grants Promote Science, Technology, Engineering and Math Education in Los Angeles Area Schools

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WOODLAND HILLS, Calif., June 17, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- Northrop Grumman Corporation (NYSE: NOC) has awarded grants worth \$4,500 to support science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) educational programs in San Fernando Valley area schools.



Northrop Grumman awarded 15 individual grants of \$300 each to teachers in local elementary, middle and high schools to fund projects that promote STEM education and awareness. Any public or charter school with an open enrollment policy in the country is eligible. Private schools with an associated 501(c)(3) are also eligible. Selection was based upon the proposed activity's potential to engage students and the level of STEM focus.

The grant program, which is in its third year, was announced in recognition of National Engineers Week in mid-February and winners were notified in May. The following teachers received the Northrop Grumman National Engineers Week STEM grants:

- Denise Aiani Garden Grove Elementary School IMPACT Academy (Simi Valley)
- Laurie Cariker Berylwood Elementary School (Simi Valley)
- Lance Christensen Apollo High School (Simi Valley)
- Catherine Crowley Arroyo Elementary School (Simi Valley)
- Albert Estrada Valley Alternative Magnet (Lake Balboa)
- Melissa Estrada Berylwood Elementary School (Simi Valley)
- Susan Ferdman Canoga Park Elementary School (Canoga Park)
- Mary Hondorp Sycamore Elementary School (Simi Valley)
- Jeff Jackson Simi Valley High School (Simi Valley)
- Joseph Keays Agoura High School (Agoura Hills)
- Janet Payne Sycamore Elementary School (Simi Valley)
- Stayce Robison Madera Elementary School (Simi Valley)
- Debra Satz Environmental Academy of Research Technology and Earth Sciences (EARTHS) Magnet School (Newbury Park)
- Mark Sheinberg Santa Susana High School (Simi Valley)
- Janet Taylor Garden Grove Elementary School (Simi Valley)

"These grants are Northrop Grumman's way of investing in the future and helping to inspire the scientists and engineers of tomorrow," said Steve Toner, vice president and Woodland Hills campus lead executive, Northrop Grumman Electronic Systems. "STEM education continues to be critical to our country's economic growth, innovation and national security in the long term."

The selected teachers' proposed STEM-related classroom projects include building robots and model bridges, as well as using 3-D modeling software and equipment. Grants must be used in the current calendar year to purchase equipment, supplies, publications or transportation related to the proposed STEM project.

Northrop Grumman is an ongoing contributor to STEM education. The Northrop Grumman Engineering Scholars program provides academic-based scholarships to promising high school seniors who plan to pursue a career in engineering, computer science, physics or math. Additionally, the company sponsors the annual High School Involvement Partnership program, which offers high school students hands-on job training and mentoring from Northrop Grumman employees.

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