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Rocket Science Tutors (RST) and Mendez Fundamental Intermediate School students to launch model rockets April 16, 2013 at school football field in Santa Ana

RST engineers and scientists help students apply science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) knowledge to hands-on rocket science project.

WESTMINSTER, Calif. - (April 15, 2013) – Rocket Science Tutors, a non-profit organization comprised of engineers dedicated to advancing STEM skills in schools, will work with Mendez Fundamental School students participating in the RST program, to launch model rockets Tuesday, April 16, 2013 at the school.

Students built the rockets on April 9th, during their regularly scheduled RST afterschool class, using ESTES Alpha III model rocket kits. The RST classes are voluntary and develop a wide range of engineering and science skills among the intermediate school age students

“The students who are part of the RST program at Mendez Fundamental Intermediate School have gained substantial knowledge about engineering, so the launch of the rockets gives them the opportunity to see first-hand the success and challenges inherent in every science and engineering project,” said Nino Polizzi, CEO and founder of Rocket Science Tutors.

Schools or volunteers interested in participating with RST should call 949.289.4772 or visit the website at <http://www.rocketsciencetutors.com>.

Rocket Science Tutors, located in Westminster, California, is a 501-c-3 not for profit organization that brings science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) to life by exciting middle and high school students with real-world examples, hands-on labs and an inquiry-based curriculum in a project based learning environment. Students build experiments, use math skills to calculate the outcome, measure performance and compare results, reinforcing the math/science link and providing the thrill of “making something.” The RST internally-developed program works in conjunction with the Santa Ana Unified School District and is administered by an all-volunteer cadre of highly skilled engineers and engineering graduate students who deliver the program with one instructor to every five students. Rocket Science Tutors is comprised of a board of directors and an advisory board that meets monthly and is funded by local and national organizations.

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