

Press Release

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GMiS participates at the American Petroleum Institute (API) Houston, TX Tours of Member Company Facilities to Promote Careers in Oil & Natural Gas

Montebello, CA June 6, 2019 – Great Minds in STEM Chairman of the Board, Dr. Juan Rivera participated in an amazing series of tours and sessions hosted by API and their member companies. Held on June 5 & 6 in Houston, Texas, GMiS was able to see first hand all that the oil and natural gas industry is doing to prepare American workers and the future workforce. The tour included the Chevron Pipeline Safety Center, the NABTU training center, and the recently opened International Union of Operating Engineers (IUOE) International Training and Education Center.

Speakers over the two day tour included Allen Satterwhite, President of Pipeline and Power, Chevron; James T. Callahan, General President of IUOE; E. Lance Williams, Director-Federal Relations, BP America; Alex Oehler, Vice President-Government Affairs, TC Energy; and Mike Sommers, President & CEO, American Petroleum Institute.

API is the only national trade association representing all facets of the oil and natural gas industry. API has developed more than 700 standards to enhance operational and environmental safety, efficiency and sustainability. The city of Houston is home to 144 API member companies. Safety is API's top priority.

The Oil and natural gas industry provides 10.3 million U.S. jobs and nearly 8 percent of the U.S. economy. Great Minds in STEM is honored to partner with API and promote all the organization is doing to support Diversity and Inclusion so GMiS students and professionals are active and prominent leaders in this important industry.

About Great Minds in STEM

Great Minds in STEM™ is a national 501(c)3 nonprofit organization based in Los Angeles County with a 31-year history of keeping America technologically strong through the delivery of national STEM awareness programs for students, parents and teachers in underserved communities. Through the GMiS network, academic and career development opportunities are offered to underrepresented students in STEM fields. The organization is focused on working to build a diverse 21st Century STEM workforce in which all citizens contribute to innovation and experience prosperity. For more information please visit greatmindsinstem.org.