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Great Minds in STEM™ and Lockheed Martin Return to Magruder High School in Rockville, Maryland

Montebello, CA April 2, 2019 – Great Minds in STEM™ (GMiS) in partnership with Lockheed Martin Corporation will bring a Viva Technology™ Program to Magruder High School in Rockville, MD.

As part of GMiS' national K-12 education programs, Viva Technology™ engages students, teachers and parents with STEM challenges that foster awareness, build skills in the application of science and technology, and illuminate STEM career pathways. The teacher orientation, to be held Thursday, April 4th, will acquaint educators with the program and provides them with information and materials so they can continue to encourage their students to pursue STEM fields year around. The parent component, also scheduled for April 4th, provides valuable resources that help families support their child's efforts to excel in math and science and envision themselves as future engineers and scientists. Lockheed Martin representatives will be on hand to interact with teachers and parents at their respective orientations.

On Friday, April 5, over 100 high school students will experience a full day of STEM project-based exercises that challenge their understanding of the engineering and science design process. Approximately 20 STEM college students from Washington D.C. and Baltimore area universities, including the University of Maryland, Howard University, and Morgan State University, will be on hand as well. These near-peer STEM majors will serve as College Captains, providing mentorship, guidance and leadership throughout the day. Magruder High School students will also closely interact with professional role models from Lockheed Martin team members. Joining the event will be Ms. Raina Washington, Vice President of Global Diversity & Inclusion at Lockheed Martin Corporation and member of the Great Minds in STEM Board of Directors. Denise Torres, a Senior Talent Acquisitions professional for Lockheed Martin, gave a keynote address.

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 www.greatmindsinstem.org.