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## Nevada National Security Site contractor awards University of Nevada-Las Vegas \$33,000 grant

**NORTH LAS VEGAS, Nev.** – Nevada National Security Site (NNSS) management and operating contractor Mission Support and Test Services (MSTS) awarded a \$33,000 grant to the University of Nevada-Las Vegas (UNLV) to propel science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) education for local students.



*Clark County students and their UNLV mentor perform an experiment examining rising sea levels. Photo: UNLV/Josh Hawkins*

The backing will help fund Rebel Science Camp, a program that allows 1,100 fifth-grade students from Clark County School District Title I schools to explore how science, technology, engineering and mathematics play into real-world applications through hands-on activities. The program, founded in 2017, is facilitated by UNLV College of Sciences undergraduate students as part of their credit requirements.

Rebel Science Camp is also a proponent for encouraging students to pursue a higher education. Following camp, 98 percent of participants report wanting to attend college.

“As the largest technology-based employer in Southern Nevada, MSTS is thrilled to help Clark County students explore infinite possibilities through STEM,” said MSTS President Mark Martinez. “These could be the future leaders of science-based industries, including the NNSS. We’re excited to be a part of their introduction to incredible careers.”

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