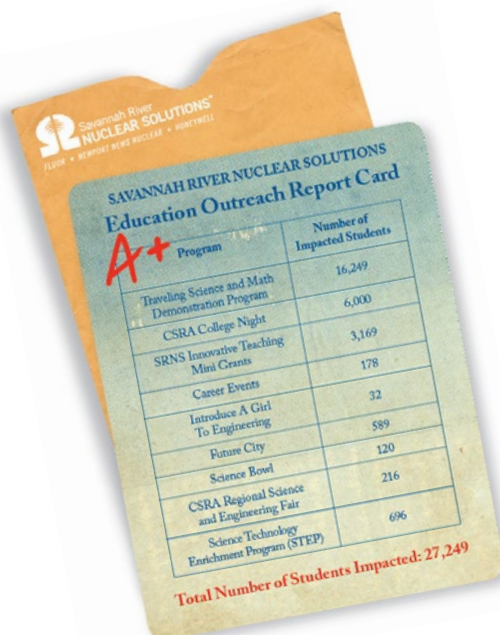


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## SRNS Gets A+ Report Card for Education Outreach

*School systems within eight counties near SRS benefit from multiple education outreach programs, over 27,000 students and teachers reached over the past school year alone*

AIKEN, S.C. – June 25, 2013 – Savannah River Nuclear Solutions' (SRNS) Education Outreach staff and numerous volunteers have quietly, yet effectively, reached out to hundreds of schools and thousands of students each year since 2008 to further enhance the quality of education available throughout the greater Aiken-Augusta area.

During the past school year alone, more than 27,000 CSRA students and teachers were directly impacted through 10 SRNS education outreach annual programs and numerous events.



Over the 2012/2013 school year, more than 130,000 students and teachers throughout eight counties near the Savannah River Site benefitted from Savannah River Nuclear Solutions' dedicated efforts to help local students and assist area educators. Over 6,000 area high school students, for example, (above) participated at the CSRA College Night annual event last year, managed by SRNS employees.

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Since SRNS became the Savannah River Site (SRS) management and operating contractor, more than 130,000 students and teachers throughout the eight counties near the Savannah River Site that have benefitted from their dedicated efforts to help local students and assist area educators.

“The SRNS Education Outreach Program is a tremendous resource...with little or no fanfare they continue each and every year, without fail, to be an asset to our region’s school systems in too many ways to list,” said Jeff Howell, Executive Director, Public Education Partners. “They are our unsung heroes assisting underfunded teachers, while bringing scholarships and a myriad of special learning opportunities to an amazing number of students.”

SRNS President & CEO Dwayne Wilson explains that their desire to invest in these programs is another way to show their appreciation to surrounding communities for their continued support of current and future missions at SRS. “We are helping to mold and shape the minds of future employees for area industry and, potentially, future leaders within our own company,” said Wilson.

Albert Einstein once said, “The best way to learn is through play.” Many of the programs offered annually by SRNS are based on learning through friendly competition. They include the CSRA Science Fair, DOE Savannah River Regional Science Bowl, and the Future City Competition. Future City, for example, is a national program that teaches teamwork, creativity and develops a strong sense of individual responsibility as team members plan and work together to solve science and engineering problems while creating an innovative city of the future.

“We realize the foundation of any successful school is the teachers,” said Candice Dermody, SRNS Manager, Education Outreach and Talent Management. “We are always looking for new initiatives to aid area teachers. In fact, as a pilot program during the summer break, we have recently started an initiative called Educators in Business, which will be a source of on-the-job experience for teachers in Allendale County.”

According to Dermody, efforts to financially assist teachers through SRNS funding include the Innovative Teaching Mini-Grants Program. This competitive program provides grants to CSRA public and private elementary and middle school teachers for innovative ideas. During this past school year, grants for 172 teachers, totaling \$75,000, were awarded.

Tens of thousands of young minds have benefited from SRNS education outreach programs whose primary goal is to stress the importance of science, technology, engineering and math (STEM). These STEM-intensive initiatives include the Traveling Science Demonstration Program, Science & Technology Enrichment Program (STEP), Innovative Teaching Mini-Grants, Introduce a Girl to Engineering and various workshops, tours, lectures and demonstrations.

One of the SRNS educational events that reaches the most students each year is the highly popular CSRA College Night, coordinated and managed by SRNS personnel, utilizing the help of many highly valued volunteers from several CSRA companies. Last year over 6,000 area

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high school students participated in this annual event, which required use of the entire floor space within the James Brown Arena in Augusta, Ga., including the primary walkways. More than 160 colleges and universities typically attend College Night.

SRNS is proactively striving to assist local educators with the help of caring volunteers, working together, to help our children grow in knowledge while learning important life lessons; that's what the SRNS Education Outreach program is all about.

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