AE2S sponsors drinking fountains, rest rooms in new building
Educational signage teaches water facts

Have you ever thought about where we get our drinking water? Or where the water goes after you flush the toilet? One of our major sponsors in the new science center has found a unique way to answer these questions through educational signage in the restrooms and by the drinking fountains. AE2S, LLC is sponsoring the water fountains and rest rooms in the new science center.

AE2S is an engineering firm in the Upper Midwest and Rocky Mountain Region focusing on the water industry, including drinking water, wastewater, and water resources. AE2S staff members (pictured at left) recently visited North Dakota’s Gateway to Science.

Front Row (L-R):
Jeff Hruby, Chief Development Officer
Grant Meyer, Chief Executive Officer
Megan Houser, Chief Human Resources Officer

Back Row (L-R):
Lisa Ansley, Chief Operating Officer
Tomas Solc, Chief Financial Officer
Jonathan Sickler, Chief Legal Officer
2022 STEM All-Star students selected
Recognition planned for August 6 Larks game

The Bismarck Larks, MDU Resources Group, Inc., and North Dakota’s Gateway to Science have teamed up to bring STEM education to the baseball field. Each year, the Larks recognize all-star students who exhibit hard work, dedication, and a commitment to using STEM to serve their school and community. Students in grades 1-12 attending North Dakota schools are eligible to be nominated by their teachers. This year, seven students stood out and will be recognized.

The 2022 STEM All-Star students are:

- Jordan Dooley – 11th grade – Jamestown High School
- Nora Huber – 6th grade – Center-Stanton Elementary School
- Kyler Loraas – 8th grade – Wachter Middle School (Bismarck)
- Josh Pfaff – 1th grade – Career Academy & Technical Center (Bismarck)
- Brayden Sutherland – 9th grade – Lisbon Public School
- Davis Vesey – 5th grade – The Innovation School (Bismarck)
- Tayla Ybarra – 12th grade – Alexander Public School

Visit gatewaytoscience.org/stem-allstar to learn more about each student.

MDU Resources awards a $1,000 grant to one nominating teacher to be used for STEM projects at his or her school. The 2022 grant is awarded to Tina Pierce and Lisbon Public School. The grant will be used to fund science lab equipment and materials for the school’s science fair team to study microbiology.

The 2022 STEM All-Stars will be recognized at STEM Night at the Ballpark on Saturday, August 6. A STEM Expo will be held that day from 11 am to 2 pm and is open to the public. The Expo will feature a variety of hands-on STEM activities hosted by the Larks, MDU Resources, and other local businesses.
Meet Squirt and Lily, red-eared sliders

Turtle habitat added to gallery

Squirt and Lily have joined the North Dakota’s Gateway to Science family!

Squirt is 6 years old, and Lily is 5. Both are red-eared sliders. Their diet includes turtle pellets, fresh fruit, and minnows.

The turtles previously lived in NDGTS STEM Educator Kirsten Dickhut's school classroom and at her home during the summer months. They will now have a year-round home with us. Squirt and Lily's habitat is located in the hands-on gallery just behind the front desk. When we move to the new building, they will live in a classroom in the education wing.

Stop by and meet Squirt and Lily!

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