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KIDS INVENT!™ SUMMER CAMPS WRAP UP WITH ROBOTICS

(Fresno, Calif.) – For many young people across the Valley, the highlight of their summer was building rockets, making videos and creating chemical reactions during the Kids Invent!™ Summer Camps.

With Young Inventors, Digital Videos and Science camps complete, Kids Invent!™ Summer Camps concludes with Robotics camp from July 16 – July 20 for grades 4-8. The session will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, in the Lyles Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship on the Fresno State campus.

During the Robotics session, students work in teams to build electric models, including cars and boats. Then they build robots by designing a base out of wood and adding motors & a circuit before learning how to program it. By the end of the week, students' robots are using sensors, navigating through mazes and competing with other robots.

The session ends with a showcase of the children's projects for the week on Friday, July 20 at 2 p.m. Parents and family members are invited to see their child's projects, a slideshow from their week at camp and an awards ceremony.

All the summer camps promote creativity and empowerment to young people by offering a hands-on learning approach. Kids Invent!™ also offers after school programs that incorporate science, math, innovation and entrepreneurship in an effort to both teach and prepare children for their futures.

“The Kids Invent!™ Summer Camps have enhanced the creativity skills of these young adults and taught them how to apply math and science through fun and innovative problem solving,” said Dr. Timothy Stearns, Executive Director of the Lyles Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship. “Our experienced and skilled staff has given campers an exciting and fun learning experience they’ll remember for years to come.”

For more information, please call Stefanie Trevino-Gander, Program Director, at 559-347-3907. To register for Kids Invent!™ Summer Camps, please visit www.KidsInventCA.com.

About Kids Invent!™

Kids Invent!™ was developed as a collaborative effort between Dr. Ed Sobey and Dr. Timothy Stearns. Dr. Sobey is known nationally as an expert on children’s creativity and learning. He has authored several books, served as the first Executive Director of the National Invention Center, and was the creator of the television show “The Idea Factory,” which was aired on the ABC affiliate in Fresno, California. Dr. Stearns is a nationally known educator in entrepreneurship at California State University, Fresno. In 1995, Dr. Sobey and Dr. Stearns were awarded a grant from the Lemelson Foundation to design and conduct a university program which young adults would create, develop, model, and compose a business plan for a toy idea. Later, they applied knowledge gained from that experience to develop Kids Invent!™ which is now available to kids across the globe.

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