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Anthem School Opens New Aerospace Academy

Anthem School, in the Deer Valley Unified School District (DVUSD), is inviting parents and students to an **OPEN HOUSE** on Thursday, February 4 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. located at 41020 NE Freedom Way. The Aerospace Academy, scheduled to open in the 2010-11 school year, has been developed to support and increase students' interests in pursuing Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) course work that will result in being college and career ready to compete with students from around the world by year 2021. The new Aerospace Academy is establishing partnerships with various *Arizona-based Aerospace companies and links with NASA, including Young Astronauts, Sandra Day O'Connor High School's Air Force JROTC program, and Luke Air Force Base.*

DVUSD Superintendent Dr. Virginia McElyea said, *"I'm excited to announce the new Aerospace Academy. The district has long-standing partnerships with many aerospace industries currently located in our district. I commend Anthem School's leadership and staff for a forward thinking 21st century focus."*

The Aerospace Academy is intended to support teachers' efforts to stir students' imaginations and inspire them to be interested and engaged in STEM studies. Introducing students to STEM fields will produce an increase of students entering higher education and graduating with degrees in these disciplines. Anthem School will provide real life hands-on STEM education and has emphasized the importance in providing DVUSD students with the knowledge and skill set needed to be successful in the 21st Century. For registration information, contact Anthem School at 623-376-3700.

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