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Las Vegas Students To Test Their Knowledge On The Racetrack This Saturday Education + Creativity = Speed!

The Nevada Regional Science Bowl Middle School Car Races will be held this weekend! As car racing takes over the Las Vegas Valley this weekend, dozens of local middle school students will test their engineering and science skills with model cars on a track laid out at the National Atomic Testing Museum.

The Nevada Regional Science Bowl Middle School Car Races feature student built and designed model race cars powered by a lithium ion battery. The car kits are supplied to students by the National Nuclear Security Administration Nevada Site Office. It's all part of the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) effort to attract students to the study of math and science. Students are given electric motors, a lithium ion battery and a battery charger. The students do their own research and use their own ideas to build a model race car.

The fastest race teams will receive part of \$1500 in prize money designated for use in the math and/or science department of the winning schools.

Sponsors of the Nevada Regional Science Bowl include: U.S. Department of Energy National Nuclear Security Administration Nevada Site Office, National Security Technologies, Northrop Grumman, U.S. Department of the Interior, WSI-Nevada Team, Desert Research Institute, Nevada Energy, VegasPBS, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, the National Atomic Testing Museum and Southwest Gas.

More than 20,000 high school and middle school students will compete in this year's National Science Bowl regional academic and car race competitions. Since the National Science Bowl's inception in 1991, more than 150,000 students and teachers have participated. The DOE National Science Bowl is the nation's largest academic competition of its kind and the only one sponsored by a federal agency.

WHO: 17 middle school student race teams, coaches/teachers, volunteers, sponsors

WHAT: Nevada Regional Science Bowl Middle School Car Races

WHEN: Inspection 8:00 a.m., Heat Races 9:00 a.m., Double-Elimination Races 10:30 a.m.

WHERE: National Atomic Testing Museum (parking lot), 755 E. Flamingo, Las Vegas, NV

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