



July 19, 2023

To Our Generous Partners at Truckee Airport District:

We truly appreciate the funding for our 2023 programs. We used the \$5000 grant from the Airport to help fund two local programs this spring within TTUSD.

**North Tahoe Middle School 7th Grade Program:**

We used \$2,000 towards this program. We did a two day field research program focusing on fire ecology with 100 students. We spent one day in the field around the school, learning different methods for measuring forest health, creating and asking research questions, and collecting data with the help of our science mentors. The second day, we worked in the classroom to create graphs of data, analyze the data, and make presentations. Students got to be in charge of their own project and share their results with their peers.

**Student Impacts:**

80.00% of students reported an increase in confidence when applying the scientific method.

82.05% reported enjoying science more after participating in the program.

76.32% agreed that they learned new skills when making presentations.

62.86% of students reported being more interested in a science-related career.

[Link to photos](#)

**Alder Creek Middle School 7th Grade Program:**

We used \$3000 towards this program. We did a field day with 175 ACMS 7th graders at Rideout Community Center in Tahoe City. They spent the previous day in class learning about research methods and creating their own questions. During the field day, they were grouped with their science mentors and collected data on water speed and quality, plant biodiversity and soil moisture, and tree and forest health. They created hypotheses, graphed their guesses, and determined whether their results were significant. Back in the classroom, the students created presentations and shared their results.

**Student Impacts:**

77.78% reported enjoying science more after participating in the program.

61.36% of students reported an increase in confidence when communicating scientific findings.

75.56% agreed that they were in charge of their project.

65.91% of students reported an increase in confidence when applying the scientific method.

[Link to photos](#)

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We also had an excellent time tabling at the Truckee Airshow! That is an event we look forward to every year. Thank you for making a space for STEM organizations at the event.

Thank you for your support. We have acknowledged the airport on our website and in newsletters related to these programs. Please let me know if you have any questions or would like any more information regarding these programs or other things that we do at Headwaters.

Best,  
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June 23, 2023

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for your support of UC Davis! This letter will serve as your receipt for your gift of \$5,000.00.

Contributions from loyal alumni, friends, patients and parents like you provide vital support that helps UC Davis fulfill its land-grant mission to improve the world through excellent teaching, innovative research, transformational health care and impactful public service. Your gift to UC Davis is helping advance one of the top public universities in the United States.

Thank you again for your investment in the future of UC Davis.

Sincerely,

Jessica LaBorde  
Assistant Vice Chancellor - Advancement Services  
UC Davis

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Please retain the information below as your receipt for tax purposes.



Truckee Tahoe Airport District, as requested, we have designated your \$5,000.00 towards the following:

Tahoe Environmental Research Center Internship for Tahoe Scholars Fund - \$5,000.00 - Received on 05/25/2023

For IRS purposes, we document that no goods or services were provided in exchange for this gift. It is the policy of the University of California, Davis to utilize a portion of the gift principal and/or short-term investment income on current gifts and grants to support the cost of raising and administering gift funds.