

It's no mystery...teachers *and* students love this science program!

"Hello! I am a teacher in MDUSD and saw in a summer professional development list that you will be paying for Mystery Science next year for all MDUSD schools. I just wanted to double check, because it's almost too good to be true! It's a wonderful science program and with budget cuts, we almost didn't use it last year, and we were questioning whether or not we could afford it for the upcoming year." - Amanda Graves, Third Grade - Walnut Acres Elementary

Thank you for writing, and we're happy to say that you heard correctly, Amanda! The MDUSD Education Foundation is funding the science program MYSTERY SCIENCE for all TK-5 sites for the 2020-21 school year. We received feedback from teachers that this program is a valuable tool for both in-person and distance learning, and utilizes Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) in its curriculum design. Many thanks to Jan Robertson, MDUSD Science TOSA and Alicia Magallanes, MDUSD Curriculum Specialist, for their efforts in coordinating this collaboration, and to the generous donors who have given to the Foundation this year, making programs like this possible!

The logo for Mystery Science features the word "MYSTERY" in large, bold, purple, sans-serif capital letters on a black background. Below it, the word "SCIENCE" is written in a smaller, purple, sans-serif font, with the letters "S", "C", "I", "E", "N", "C", "E" spaced out and appearing to be in a different, more decorative font style.

MDEDF is able to help fund programs like Mystery Science and other quality STEAM-based curriculum thanks to donations from community members and local businesses. You can help us to keep building on these successful efforts by donating today! Any amount helps, and if you make a contribution by June 30, your name will be included in our annual report! Right now, you can donate to our General Fund or to the Coronavirus Remote Learning Fund, which goes towards purchasing electronic devices and hotspots to support distance learning. **(Please note: the Coronavirus Remote Learning Fund closes on June 30).**

If you have already given to the foundation this year, thank you for your support! We are so close to reaching our goal of \$100,000 - if you haven't had an opportunity to give yet this year, here's your chance to help bring across the finish line!

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