MUSEUM OF DISCOVERY AND SCIENCE TO HOST ENGINEERING DAY IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ULTIMATE SOFTWARE, LEADING GLOBAL TECHNOLOGY FIRM

Event to Introduce Engineering Disciplines to Local High School Students

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (February 5, 2020) – Museum of Discovery and Science (MODS) has partnered with Ultimate Software, ranked #1 on Fortune’s “Best Workplaces in Technology” and “Best Workplaces for Millennials” lists, to host an Engineering Day, which celebrates National Engineering Week, for high school students on Thursday, February 20. More than 600 high school students from Blanche Ely High School and other Broward County public schools will be in attendance to learn about various STEM (Science. Technology. Engineering. Math.) career paths. As a champion of our local STEM workforce, MODS frequently hosts career days and special STEM exhibits.

“We strongly believe that MODS plays a crucial role in workforce development, so exposing students to south Florida’s forward-thinking technology companies helps propel careers of the future right here in our community,” said Joe Cox, president and CEO of the Museum.

In honor of National Engineering Week, Engineering Day at MODS will showcase specific employment opportunities presented by a panel of Ultimate Software representatives, as well as hands-on engineering-themed activities and multiple screenings of the documentary Dream Big in MODS’ AutoNation IMAX 3D Theater. Dream Big tells surprising human stories to expose the hidden world behind the most exciting inventions and structures across the world. It is a journey through engineering’s greatest wonders, and equally a tale of human grit, aspiration, compassion and the triumph of human ingenuity over life’s biggest challenges. Each showing will be followed by a Q&A with professionals from Ultimate Software. The event is from 8:15-11:30 a.m.

The Museum cultivates an on-going relationship with Broward County Public Schools and partners with Ultimate Software to further their mission to engage, enrich and inspire tomorrow’s workforce - today. In addition to infusing STEM center methodologies into its programming, MODS recently expanded its To Fly Aviation Exhibit Hall with a new aviation-themed makerspace, The Leighton Family Hangar. The only one of its kind in Broward County, The Hangar is a fusion of a science lab, engineering workshop, innovation workshop, and art room and is designed to be flexible and accommodate a wide range of collaborative activities, from robotics and electronics to sewing and 3D printing. Daily creation and innovation in The Hangar are fueled and sponsored by Citrix, the official technology partner of MODS.

ABOUT MODS:
Founded in 1976 as the Discovery Center, today MODS is at the forefront of science education, innovation and exploration. The Museum showcases more than 300 interactive exhibits, immersive films and experiential programs. MODS is committed to The Museum celebrates diversity and welcomes more than 400,000 visitors annually from all walks of life. MODS is open every day of the year, except for Thanksgiving, one day in the spring for its Annual Wine, Spirits and Culinary Celebration (March 13, 2020) and one day in the fall for the Annual Gala (October
24, 2020). Hours are Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. MODS is located downtown at 401 SW Second Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33312. For more information about the Museum, call 954.467.MODS (6637) or visit mods.org.

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