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NM MESA High School Students to Visit New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology

Albuquerque, NM – New Mexico Mathematics, Engineering, Science, Achievement (NM MESA) announced that NM MESA students from throughout New Mexico will attend the annual NM MESA college visit at New Mexico Institute of Mining & Technology. More than 80 high school students and 15 MESA teachers will attend the NM Tech campus on November 15, 2011. These students and teachers will represent the southwest and southeast MESA regions and the following schools: Carlsbad High School, Goddard High School, Cobre High School, Las Cruces High School, Mayfield High School, and Oate High School. NM MESA’s mission is to prepare students for success in college and empower NM’s youth through career awareness and community service. The program will take place from 9:30 am – 2:00 pm on the NM Tech campus in Socorro, NM. All expenses, including transportation, lodging and food, are shared by NM MESA and NM Tech.

“Students who have attended the NM Tech College Visit in the past know that this is a life-changing event,” said Toney Begay, Executive Director of NM MESA. “Our longitudinal study indicates 78% of NM MESA graduates attend college and 86% of these graduate with a Bachelors degree or higher”.

During the college visit, students and teachers will have the opportunity to connect with faculty and research scientists, visit with student organizations, learn about NM Tech STEM programs, and meet with college admission officers.

This is the 15th year that the college visit will take place through a collaboration between NM Tech and NM MESA. Founded in 1982, NM MESA currently serves 27 counties, 32 school districts and over 5,000 students annually in New Mexico.

To learn more about NM MESA, please visit: <http://www.nmmesa.org>.