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**Yavapai College – Verde Valley SciTech EXPO Highlights Science,  
Technology, Engineering, Art and Math in Verde Valley**

The Yavapai College Verde Valley campus in Clarkdale (located at 601 Black Hills Drive) will host the Verde Valley SciTech Expo on Friday, March 27 from 5 to 8 p.m. The Expo, which is free and open to the public, is an extension of the statewide Arizona SciTech Festival, held annually in February and March. For a complete list of events, go online to <http://www.vvscitech.org/events.html>.

The Expo celebrates science, technology, engineering, art and math (STEAM) and features a variety of exhibitions, workshops, expos and tours across the state to underscore how STEAM will influence Arizona for the next century.

“The Expo will showcase businesses and industries whose products and services include STEAM education and skills; and the college will have hands-on exhibits and a tour of the new Southwest Wine Center,” said James Perey, executive dean of the Verde Valley campus. “This event is aimed at informing the community about exciting things happening in and around STEAM in the Verde Valley. Visitors will learn how these concepts pertain to their everyday lives. Join us in this wonderful opportunity to celebrate STEAM in the Verde Valley.”

The Expo will feature a Robinson R-66 helicopter and helicopter simulator from Guidance Aviation, an unmanned aerial vehicle demonstration by Emery-Riddle Aeronautical University, a Yavapai College video gaming demonstration, hands-on ceramic experiences in the art studio, and much more. Additionally, Thee Place, the campus food service, will be open from 4-7 p.m. in Building F.

In addition to the Expo on Friday, signature events take place throughout the Verde Valley March 21-29, including The Verde Valley Medical Center’s Fantastic Voyage, the Verde Valley Archaeology Fair, and a scavenger hunt at Montezuma Well National Park site.

The Verde Valley SciTech Festival also features a passport program, whereby attendees can win prizes. Pick up a passport at any of the events. Earn at least six punches per passport, and you can submit your passport(s) to be entered to win one of several prizes, including Nexus 7 tablets and more.

Spearheaded by the Arizona Commerce Authority, Arizona Science Center, the Arizona Technology Council Foundation, the Arizona Board of Regents, Arizona State University and the University of Arizona, the Arizona SciTech Festival is a collaboration of over 450 organizations in industry, academia, arts, civic, community and K-12 education.

For more information, including a calendar of events and details about the passport program, go online to [www.vvscitech.org](http://www.vvscitech.org). Learn more about the statewide Arizona SciTech Festival at [www.azscitechfest.org](http://www.azscitechfest.org).

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