

Press Release

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Veolia Holds Educational Events for Students and Representatives Across the Midwest

Local schools and city leadership invited to participate in interactive STEM showcases

Veolia North America hosted Central Doors Open on Thursday, the first of a series of events in several locations aimed at encouraging middle- and high- school students to participate in STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) activities.

Several local lawmakers participated in the events, held at wastewater treatment plants (WWTPs) and across the Midwest in states including Kansas, Ohio, Oklahoma and Texas, where recent innovations in the use and conservation of city utilities were highlighted.

Many of the water and energy facilities offered interactive educational programs, where students visited sites and participated in “Water Box” activities designed to promote the understanding and importance of returning waste products safely to the environment.

In Oklahoma City, Veolia partnered with Redlands Community College and the local Canadian Valley Technology Center for a career day event focusing on STEM education and career paths. In Texas and Ohio, Veolia hosted open houses for new local government representatives and city employees to increase understanding of advancements in energy and environmental technology, as well as the vital role public private partnerships play in managing municipal utilities.

Participating project sites include:

- Yukon WWTP, Yukon, Okla. -- Redlands Community College and CV Tech career day event
- El Reno WWTP, El Reno, Okla. -- Redlands Community College and CV Tech career day event
- Bartlesville WWTP, Bartlesville, Okla. -- middle school STEM education event
- Moore WWTP, Moore, Okla. -- middle school STEM education event
- Junction City WWTP, Junction City, Kan. -- high school STEM education event
- Springboro WWTP, Springboro, Ohio -- high school and middle school STEM education event
- CoolCo, Cincinnati, Ohio -- open house for local community leadership, city employees, customers
- Bonham WWTP, Bonham, Texas -- open house for local representatives, city employees, customers
- Burkburnett WWTP, Burkburnett, Texas -- open house for local representatives, city employees, customers

“Veolia North America strongly supports the increase in STEM awareness for both students and local community leadership across America,” said Veolia Senior Vice President Keith Oldewurtel. “We are committed to contributing to our local communities with the same dedication with which we service and protect their environment and economy.”

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