Congress Elementary School District has been busy with our STEM outreach programs this year! Our outreach programs have supported and expanded on the many wonderful programs we offer in STEM during the traditional school day. We have hosted the following activities:

**August 2013**: Parent and Community Information Night—included sharing a presentation on our STEM grant with SFAz/Helios.

**August 2013**: Starting our after school STEM Rock and Mineral Club (meets weekly for eight weeks).

**September 2013**: Starting our Drama/Music/Sustainability (STEAM) club for grades K-2 (meets weekly for eight weeks). Will repeat again in October-November 2013.

**September 2013-May 2014**: Starting our every other month Principals Coffee. This is a community meeting where updates on our STEM program and achievements are shared every other month. Topics include: What is STEM, How is STEM Implemented in our Classrooms, STEM and Student Achievement and updates about our grant and progress.

**October 10, 2013**: Technology Night—community event to showcase the “T” of our STEM program.

**October 21-December 11, 2013**: STEM Robotics Club for 3rd-8th grade. This club is 10 weeks long and meets bi-weekly.

**October 31, 2013**: Fall Carnival and evening Star Gazing Event for the community.

**January 23, 2014**: STEM Night for the 6th-8th graders and their parents—showcase, classroom visits, projects and activities presented and shared with the community.

**January 30, 2014**: Parent and Community Information Night—Community night that showcases school events and activities, including STEM, for grades K-8.

**January-February 2014**: Lego STEM Club for grades K-2 meets bi-weekly for eight weeks.

**February 8, 2014**: February Fun Fitness Walk Event—the science of health and fitness.

**March 2014-April 30, 2014**: Continuation of the Lego STEM club for grades K-2

**March 2014**: 5th grade Math Competition for Yavapai County. Placed 4th out of 18 schools in the county.

**May 2, 2014**: 6th graders compete in the Math Challenge with other districts in county.

**May 6-8th, 2014**: STEM Field Trip for 7th and 8th graders to San Diego. This three-day trip is an accumulation to the STEM activities we have been focusing on in our 7th and 8th grade classrooms.