

## **RQS Challenge Champions Explore the Cosmosphere**



The Spring 2022 Burns & McDonnel challenge champions recently visited the Cosmosphere in Hutchinson, Kansas, where they explored scientific concepts of rockets, physics, engineering, and outer space. This unique experience was made possible by their first-place victory, which earned the program a \$50,000 grant to support these experiences for students.

In the 2022-23 school year, the challenge team has planned to use the grant money in several ways to continue to benefit students. The grant will support more student activities, including the purchase of various STEM items for the challenge program such as 'Littlebites,' 'Spheros,' 'Ozobots,' and iPads with Lego Robotics, professional learning opportunities for challenge teachers at the International Society for Technology in Education and National Association for Gifted Children conference, coordinating educational speakers for student assemblies, and so much more.

### **Multi Cultural Back to School Night**

The English Language Department is planning a Multicultural Back to School Night on Tuesday, September 20, from 6:15 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. These back-toschool nights are hosted each year with the intention of connecting district families with district and community resources. It also gives those families a chance to connect with each other.

# **Save the Date**

### **Raytown High School Fall Play**

"Women: The Show" by Chiara Atik Thursday, Sept. 15, 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 17, 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 17, 7 p.m.

### **REF Run for Excellence, BOO in 2022**

5K Run/ Walk Saturday, Oct. 8