



**Cal Ripken, Sr. Foundation Partners with ExxonMobil
to Open STEM Centers at Two Elementary Schools in Central New Mexico**

***Ribbon-cutting ceremonies for El Rito and Marie Hughes Elementary Schools set
for Tuesday and Wednesday***

WHAT: The Cal Ripken, Sr. Foundation (CRSF), in partnership with ExxonMobil, is set to open state-of-the-art STEM centers at two public elementary schools in Central New Mexico: El Rito Elementary School and Marie Hughes Elementary School. Ribbon cutting ceremonies celebrating the new STEM Center openings at each school will include communicating the impact of the centers for students. The STEM Centers, designed to get youth interested in science, technology, engineering, and math through hands-on learning, will be fully equipped with the latest technology and tool kits that include custom curriculum, lesson plans, innovative products, and engaging activities. Both ceremonies will conclude with STEM demonstrations, refreshments, and networking opportunities.

WHERE/

WHEN: El Rito Elementary School – ST 571 Highway 554, El Rito, NM 87530

Tuesday, November 14 from 9:30 – 11 a.m.

9:30 a.m. – Welcome and speakers

9:45 a.m. – Ribbon cutting

10 – 11 a.m. – STEM demonstrations, refreshments, and networking

Marie Hughes Elementary School – 5701 Mojave St. NW, Albuquerque, NM 87120

Wednesday, November 15 from 1:15 – 3 p.m.

1:20 p.m. – Welcome and speakers

1:45 p.m. – Ribbon cutting

2 – 3 p.m. – STEM demonstrations, refreshments, and networking

WHO:

Scott Elder, Superintendent, Albuquerque Public Schools

Marvin Macauley, Superintendent, Mesa Vista Consolidated School District

Ashley Wagner, NM Public & Government Affairs Advisor, ExxonMobil

Amanda Sandoval, Facilities Engineering Manager, ExxonMobil

Shannon Johnson, VP Networking and Partnerships, Cal Ripken, Sr. Foundation

Richard Apodaca, Principal, El Rito Elementary

Teresa Sandoval, Teacher, El Rito Elementary
Jenna Bludworth, Principal, Marie Hughes Elementary
Nicole Baum, Community School Coordinator/STEAM Teacher, Marie Hughes Elementary

About El Rito Elementary School

About Marie Hughes Elementary School

About the Cal Ripken, Sr. Foundation:

The Cal Ripken, Sr. Foundation helps to strengthen America's most underserved and distressed communities by supporting and advocating for children, building Youth Development Parks and STEM Centers, partnering with law enforcement and youth-service agencies, and addressing community needs through its national program initiatives. CRSF has opened 354 STEM Centers nationwide, gifting children in communities across the country a new access to state-of-the-art technology, hands-on learning experiences, and skill sets essential to the future of STEM.

About ExxonMobil:

ExxonMobil is one of the largest publicly traded international energy and petrochemical companies and remains determined to tackle head-on the challenge of strengthening energy supply security and reducing emissions to support a net-zero future. The company has set a goal to be net zero in Scope 1 and 2 greenhouse gas emissions by 2023 for Permian Basin unconventional operated assets.

ExxonMobil's responsible development of Permian Basin resources in New Mexico is expected to generate billions in net economic benefits for the state and local communities over the next 40 years, creating new jobs and providing increased funding for education, health and human services and infrastructure improvements.

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