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017-002: Japanese students visit SJCOE

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Japanese Students to Share Culture and Educational Experiences with Tracy High School Students *Japan Super Science High School students to visit the SJCOE and Tracy High School*

Twenty-five students and two teachers from Mito Second High School in Ibaraki Prefecture, Japan, will visit Tracy High School and the San Joaquin County Office of Education (SJCOE) on Aug. 2. The students will begin their tour at Tracy High School in the morning and will participate in a bioengineering challenge in which they will extract DNA from various plant sources.

In the afternoon, at SJCOE, the Mito Second High School students and the Tracy High School students will each give presentations about their traditions, cultures, and educational experiences. The visit will conclude with a tour of the SJCOE Robotics Lab and Engineering and Design Center.

The Ministry of Education has designated Mito Second High School as one of the Super Science High Schools, which offer enriched curricula, teaching methods, and materials focusing on math and Science.

Members of the media who are interested in going to the visit at any point should contact Zachary Johnson at (209) 468-4937, or Kirk Brown, SJCOE Director of STEM at (209) 468-4880.

Schedule:

9:00 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.: Bioengineering Challenge at Tracy High School in Tracy

11:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.: Tour of Tracy High School

12:30 p.m. - 1:15 p.m.: Mixed groups lunch at SJCOE in Stockton

1:15 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.: Student presentations

3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.: Tour of SJCOE Robotics Lab and Engineering and Design Center

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