

Tektronix Donates Oscilloscope to Portland Public School's ACCESS Academy Program

Gift to Portland Talented and Gifted School Intended to Help Foster Interest in Physical Sciences, Inspire the Next Generation of Engineers

BEAVERTON, Ore., September 15, 2011– Tektronix, Inc., a leading worldwide provider of test, measurement and monitoring instrumentation, announced that it is donating an oscilloscope to Portland Public School's ACCESS Academy program as part of the Tektronix Education Support Program (TESP), a company initiative to foster interest in physics and electronics within the local community, other regions of the country and around the globe.

“Tektronix is committed to helping inspire young students' interest in mathematics, computers and physics through hands-on experience with state-of-the-art electronic solutions,” said Dr. Kevin Ilcisin, Chief Technology Officer, Tektronix. “By supporting science education, we are helping our communities excel academically. Through this donation, we are providing a science teacher and his students with a powerful teaching tool to increase their understanding of our physical world.”

The ACCESS Academy is a 1st through 8th grade program that serves Talented and Gifted Students from Portland and nearby communities, that is housed at Sabin Elementary School in NE Portland. The oscilloscope will be used by ACCESS science teacher Alfonso Garcia to teach physics and electronics concepts to seventh and eighth graders. Furthermore, several students are planning to use the oscilloscope in programming projects they will create for the school science fair, with guidance from a Tektronix engineer.

The oscilloscope is being presented at the ACCESS Academy today by Tektronix staff, who will demonstrate the importance of measuring electronic signals accurately and use the oscilloscope to illustrate the physics of music.

“The opportunity for our students to learn about physics while using test and measurement equipment from one of the world's technology leaders is invaluable,” said Eryn Bagby, Principal, of the ACCESS Academy. “This donation by Tektronix will become an essential piece of equipment for our science lab which we hope to build on in the future.”

“When one of the world's leading electronics companies generously helps a community educate its children in the sciences, we all win,” said Matt Shelby, Public Information Officer for Portland Public Schools.”

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