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Partnership Gives Students Science For Thought

A four way partnership between Western Chances, Victoria University, Siemens and The Siemens Science Experience is helping 100 Western Suburbs high school students get a taste for science.

The program, to be launched on Tuesday 24th October, will allow ten schools from the local area to participate in a three day interactive science program at Victoria University during December.

Siemens contribution to this latest Western Chances program is in addition to their existing support for The Siemens Science Experience which covers 31 universities across Australia.

Terry Bracks, Chair of Western Chances said the opportunity to participate in The Siemens Science Experience will provide these students with an avenue to pursue their science interests outside of school.

“Each student will gain a valuable insight into the fields of science and engineering during this program.

“This opportunity not only gives them practical, hands-on experience but will also help them to decide what field of science they might like to pursue as a profession.

The launch will be held at Victoria Universities Footscray Park Campus and guest speakers will include The Hon. Dr Barry Jones AO, one of Australia’s “National Treasures”, to talk about the importance of science in education.

- What:** Launch of partnership and The Siemens Science Experience in the Western Suburbs
- Where:** Victoria University, Footscray Park Campus, Building D, Room D 450
- Why:** Launch of partnership and The Siemens Science School in the Western Suburbs
- Who:** Terry Bracks, Chair Western Chances
The Hon. Barry Jones AO
Paul Birch, Executive Director Human Resources, Siemens
Geoff Fagan, Chair, The Siemens Science Experience
Nick Athanasiou, Victoria University
School students and teachers from nominated schools

Western Chances has been in operation for two years and has awarded over 250 scholarships for academic, social and cultural activities to young people in the Western Suburbs.

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