

McCaw School of Mines

McCaw Elementary School Henderson, Nevada



From a papier-mâché model of a mine came a 4,500 square foot replica, complete with five display rooms that stimulate interest in the history and importance of mining in Nevada today. The Pro Bono project includes hands-on experience and a simulation of an open pit mine, elevator and tunnel. The concept is designed to familiarize youngsters with mining operations; Nevada's second largest industry.

A team of educators, McCaw students, industry and community leaders volunteered their time to work together on the development and construction of the McCaw School of Mines. This ambitious project will be a field trip destination where 168,000 students from the Clark County School District and surrounding areas can come to learn about mining. One student working on the McCaw Project fulfilled his Eagle Scout Award by constructing the head frame in his back yard then had it transported to the mine site.

A foundation will be started to help finance transportation bringing students from other areas of the Las Vegas Valley to the McCaw School of Mines. The McCaw School of Mines project is a recipient of the American Institute of Architects 1994 Las Vegas Honor Award. The completion date is scheduled for Fall of 1996.

Reference:

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- **Bus transportation** provided; see booth #8334 for sign-up.

- **Tours available** at 10 AM and 1 PM on Tuesday, September 10h.



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