

## Learning About Science Is Fun

Since 1964, some 4,000 children have explored scientific principles using a hands-on approach, and their love for science sparked by Elementary Institute of Science (EIS) stayed with them for the rest of their lives. The program's success is demonstrated by a diverse group of graduates who have gone on to success in fields in which minority involvement is minimal, as scientists, researchers, computer programmers, doctors and more. EIS's new home, a beckoning, 15,000-sq. ft state-of-the-art science and technology learning center designed, in part, by the students themselves.



Inside the child-friendly, multi-colored building is a setting in which the art of teaching science guides everything the students do. EIS is located at 608 51<sup>st</sup> Street in San Diego. The building includes nine science labs and classrooms, an outdoor amphitheater, lecture theater, nature walk, garden and science library.

Prior to construction of the new building, EIS enrolled a maximum of 300 students a year from elementary schools throughout San Diego County. The warm, personal feel of the program, combined with the hands-on experimentation and study of science that jumps off the page and into reality, sparked both enthusiasm and a long waiting list.

For additional information about EIS and its programs, visit [www.eisca.org](http://www.eisca.org).