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"Summer of Discovery" is next week

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MEDIA ADVISORY

Next Monday, July 12, is the beginning of the University of Nevada School of Medicine's week-long Summer of Discovery. The program was established to spark an interest in science among students in grades seven through 10, with groups of 12 to 18 students in each class. A wide variety of projects are planned, based on the ages of the participants.

Projects will include work on computers; discovering how the heart works through videos, computer programs, and anatomy demonstrations; learning how to detect vital signs (blood pressure, pulse); viewing plant and animal cells through the "eyes" of an electron microscope; and getting a glimpse of how forensic investigations are conducted at a crime scene, including the importance of DNA, hair analysis and fingerprints.

Activities also include field trips to the school's Family Medicine Center and to the Washoe County Coroner's Office; and, on the lighter side, Science Follies and Health Sciences Bingo.

For specific times and activities, call Lynne Williams, 784-8059, or Ann Diggins at 784-1319.