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The Milagro campaign in our country, in our city and in our school.



MILAGRO Project

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TO THE LOMAS VERDES CAMPUS COMMUNITY

Dear members of our community

This year, the Alexander von Humboldt German School has been invited to take part as a center for atmospheric monitoring for the **MILAGRO** project (**M**egacity Initiative: Local and **G**lobal **R**esearch **O**bservations). Therefore, a monitoring device to measure atmospheric pollution has been placed on the roof of the Lomas Verdes Secondary/High School premises. The project that includes the participation of 120 scientific institutions from all over the world aims to quantify the fate of anthropogenic pollutants emitted by our city. It is important to mention that we are the only middle school where a monitoring device has been placed.

MILAGRO is coordinated by Dr. Luisa T. Molina and represents the continuation of an international project initiated in the year 2003.

We are pleased to share this distinction with all of you.

Jürgen Hahn, OStD General Director M. en C. Beatriz Flores Technical Director

Milagro Campaign

Megacity initiative: Local and Global Research Observations (Milagro)

The inauguration of the **Milagro** Campaign was celebrated on Thursday March 2nd at 6 p.m. at the UNIVERSUM Museum. The Campaign consists of an atmospheric pollution monitoring project with sites both inside and outside Mexico City and includes the participation of many Mexican and foreign scientists from more than 30 world renowned institutions.

This project is a continuation of an environmental effort undertaken 3 years ago in the framework of the Integrated Program on Urban, Regional and Global Air Pollution. The international science team will conduct measurements of suspended particles that are damaging to the ozone layer, a unique international endeavor to observe and quantify the fate of anthropogenic pollutants emitted by the second largest city in the world.

The Lomas Verdes institute has agreed to participate in this campaign. Therefore, scientific equipment (sponsored by NASA) has been installed on the roof of our school to measure the levels of pollution. This will help the scientists to measure the level of pollution in this part of the city. In fact, we are the only middle school that is in possession of this type of monitoring device.

