Trish Hanson and Aimee Hills are on a mission to bring interactive science to Leon County. The duo recently cofounded MoLab Inc., a nonprofit designed to teach youngsters about science, math, engineering and technology (STEM) outside the classroom environment. Hanson, former chief operating officer at the now-closed Brogan Museum, said bringing science to students, especially when they’re off from school, keeps otherwise sedentary minds occupied.

“Perhaps they’re not in that ‘learning environment’ but their brains are still active,” Hanson said.

MoLab (short for Mobile Science Laboratory) hosts interactive camps for students during holiday breaks from school. “Camp Spark” is open for kids who are at least 4 years old and serves students through the eighth grade. This year’s winter session of Camp Spark started Dec. 23 and ends Jan. 6 at SAIL High School.

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Grant Clift, 6, places his hands in ice water during an exercise demonstrating insulation at MoLab Frozen Science Camp on Monday.

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