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Welcome and Introduction

STEM Engagement Priorities

Broadening Student Participation

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Discussion, Findings and Recommendations





NAC STEM Engagement Committee Members





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Opening Remarks



Dan Dumbacher

Chair
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NASA STEM 2021-2023 Priorities





K-12 Efforts



Broadening Participation



Partnerships





NASA STEM Engagement Strategic Direction



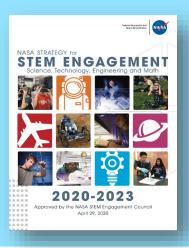
NASA Strategic Objective 4.3

Build the next generation of explorers.
Engage students to build a diverse future STEM workforce.



NASA STEM Engagement Goals:

- Create unique opportunities for a diverse set of stude to contribute to NASA's work in exploration and discovery.
- 2. Build a diverse future STEM workforce by engaging students in authentic learning experiences with NAS people, content, and facilities.
- 3. Attract diverse groups of students to STEM through learning opportunities that spark interest and provide connections to NASA's mission and work.

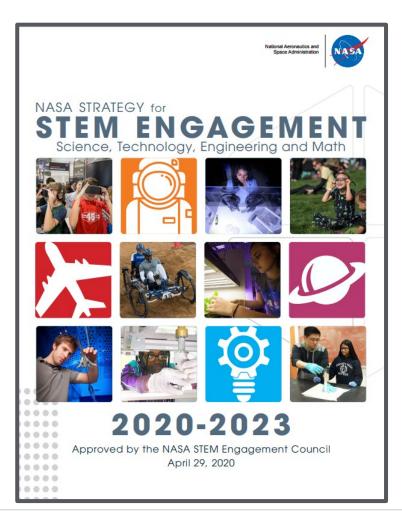


Focus Areas:

- Expand NASA contributions in engaging K-12 students in STEM pathways.
- Broaden student participation to increase diversity, equity, and inclusion in STEM through NASA opportunities and activities.
- Build strategic partnerships and networks, expanding NASA's STEM ecosystem to magnify reach and impact.

Strategy for STEM Engagement





- Current strategy will end in Dec. 2023
- Core elements of the strategy have been incorporated into NASA's 2022 Strategic Plan:
 - Strategic Objective 4.3
- STEM Engagement Council currently developing a Strategic Implementation Plan

Strategic Goal



Strategic Objective 4.3

Build the next generation of explorers.

Engage students to build a diverse future STEM workforce.





Strategic Implementation Plan



- Inclusive of NASA STEM Engagement efforts within Mission Directorates, Centers, OSTEM, and other STEM Engagement Council member organizations
- Actionable and provides associated metrics/measures
 - Clarifies who is involved/responsible for certain actions
- Useful to an internal NASA audience, but also shared with the public to provide insights on our direction and provide transparency to stakeholders







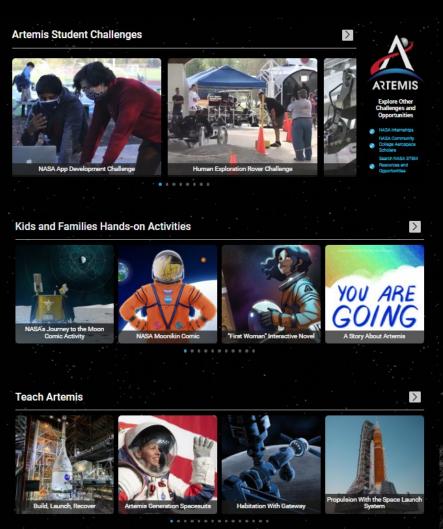


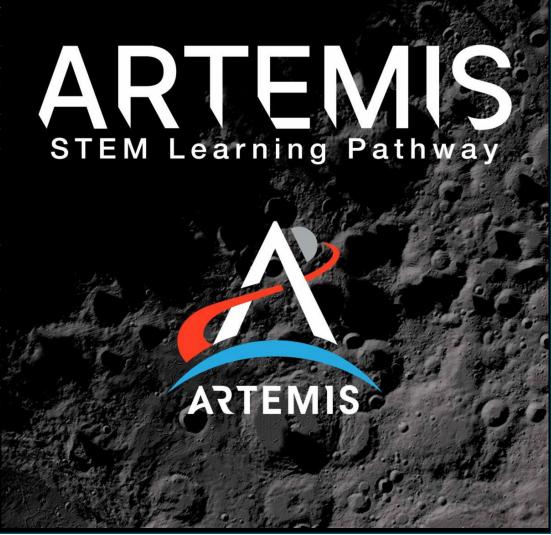
Engaging Students in Artemis



Join Artemis Website









NASA STEM Artemis Camp Guides



First Woman Graphic Novel



Educator Guides - Lesson Plans/Activities





Dream to Reality

follows Callie's trailblazing path as the first woman on the Moon.



Audience: Formal & Informal Educators

Grade Levels: 5-8

Subjects: Engineering design,

Mathematics, Physical Science, and Technology



NASA and Microsoft: Minecraft Partnership





Space Act Agreement partnership uses the Artemis Mission to introduce students to STEM concepts and careers

- New Minecraft worlds introduce students to:
 - NASA missions and science
 - a variety of NASA STEM careers
 - coding skills
 - engineering and design thinking skills
- Products will be translated into 29 languages





Department of Education MOU



Signed May 24, 2023

"Today's signing, with the support of Vice President Harris and the National Space Council, continues NASA's collaborative efforts with the Department of Education to amplify the excitement of space to all students across our country, allowing every young person to know they are a part of the Artemis Generation – today and for decades to come." – NASA Administrator Bill Nelson

"I am excited for this partnership with NASA that will inspire and prepare young people from all backgrounds to become our next generation of leaders in STEM fields and to propel our nation and our workforce into the future." – U.S. Secretary of Education Miguel Cardona



NASA Administrator Bill Nelson and Secretary of Education Miguel Cardona participate in a memorandum of understanding (MOU) signing ceremony, Wednesday, May 24, 2023, at the Mary W. Jackson NASA Headquarters building in Washington.





NASA STEM Communications



Coming Up:

- July 27: National Intern Day (week-long campaign)
- August 14-25: NASA Back to School (two-week campaign)
- September 24-28: HBCU Week
- September 21: OSIRIS-REx Sample Capsule Returns to Earth
- October 14:Annular solar eclipse
- November 8: National STEM Day
- December 4-10: Computer Science Week
- Last week of each month: new episodes of Surprisingly STEM career series on YouTube

Follow along with NASA STEM on social media





@NASASTEM



/nasa/nasa-stem/





NASA STEM





Scan to watch the latest Surprisingly STEM episode!



















Resources for Students and Educators



NASA invests in our nation's future workforce by providing unique STEM opportunities to students, educators, and institutions. Utilizing NASA experts, the agency connects students to exciting NASA missions through dynamic science, technology, engineering, and mathematics content and experiences.

The Resources for Educators and Students flyer contains a collection of links to connect you to a wide array of those resources.

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Scan the QR Code to access the NASA **STEM resources flyer:**







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Agency DEIA/OSTEM – Update since September 2022



New Executive Order – February 2023

- Further Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Underserved Communities Through the Federal Government (EO 14091)
- Requires each Agency to develop a new Equity Action Plan anchoring work in areas described in the EO
 - Educational Equity: Pursue educational equity so that our Nation's schools put every student on a path to success
 - STEM Engagement work will be reflected in this plan; awaiting feedback from OMB about draft actions

Redefined Agency-Level Organizational Approach to Equity and DEIA

- External Equity Team focus on actions that impact external stakeholders, membership
 across organizations that focus on external stakeholders
 - Our Broadening Student Participation work falls under this umbrella
- Internal DEIA Team focus on actions internal to NASA as an employer, led by ODEO working with Mission Directorates and Centers
 - STEM Engagement Internships fall under this umbrella





Broadening Student Participation





Stakeholder Events contributing to the evidence base included:

- Equity Action Plan K-12 Stakeholder Town Hall in September 2022
 - Follow-on to K-12 Stakeholder Needs Assessment
- Broadening Student Participation session at OSTEM Better Together Conference in Aug/Sept 2022
 - Identify Barriers and Solutions to BSP in higher ed, K-12, informal
- Overcoming Barriers to Broadening Student Participation Listening Session in June 2023
 - Enable stakeholders to learn from one another about best practices and successful strategies

STEM Engagement Council Working Group on Broadening Participation in Higher Ed Challenges and Competitions

- Developed checklists focusing on general strategies, and strategies for women, Tribal Colleges and Universities, and Historically Black Colleges and Universities
- Internal Broadening Student Participation website under development





Measuring Progress



Performance Assessment Strategy

Evaluation Strategy

Learning Agenda

Learning Question 1

How can NASA STEM Engagement develop cross-project metrics that support internal and external contributions to STEM Engagement goals and objectives?

Learning Question 2

How do NASA Internships broadened participation of underrepresented and underserved students to advance equity and build a diverse future STEM workforce?

Learning Question 3

How can NASA attract K-12 students, especially those underrepresented and underserved, to STEM?

Completed Evidence-Building Activities

- NASA Internship Outcome Assessment Phase I and II
- Workforce and Career Readiness Evaluation Study
- K-12 Stakeholder Needs Assessment and Gap Analysis
- MUREP Program-Level Outcome Assessment Pilot

In-Progress Evidence-Building Activities

- Internship Process Evaluation
- Internships Retrospective Evaluation
- MUREP Program-Level Outcome Assessment
- Space Grant Program-Level Evaluation
- K-12 Student Outcome Assessment
- Evidence-Based Program Design Framework



MUREP Outcome Evaluation



FY 2020

Phase I Program-Level Evaluation Study

- Focus was on Efficiency and Effectiveness of MUREP Management & Operations, Achieving NASA STEM Engagement & MUREP Priorities, Goals, & Objectives, Identify Promising Practices & Challenges, Sustainability & Partnerships
- Help prioritize MUREP investments, share promising practices, influence activity design, and improve sustainability and lower barriers to entry
 Included 10 Activities.

Benchmarking Solicitations Review Study: Literature

FY 2021

Phase II Program-Level Evaluation Study

- Focus was on Student
 Engagement,
 Partnerships, &
 Competitiveness
- Help prioritize MUREP investments, share promising practices, influence activity design, and improve sustainability and lower barriers to entry
- Included 11 Activities
- Create a Theory of Action and Logic Model

FY 2022

MUREP Outcome Assessment Framework

- Development of outcome assessment strategy
- Provide tools and evidence that that can be used to better understand what achievements are being realized by MUREP investments, and
- Prioritize MUREP investments

FY 2023

MUREP Outcome Assessment Study

- Execute Strategy
- Assess MUREP outcomes: Student Engagement & Strategic Partnerships







MUREP Outcome Evaluation



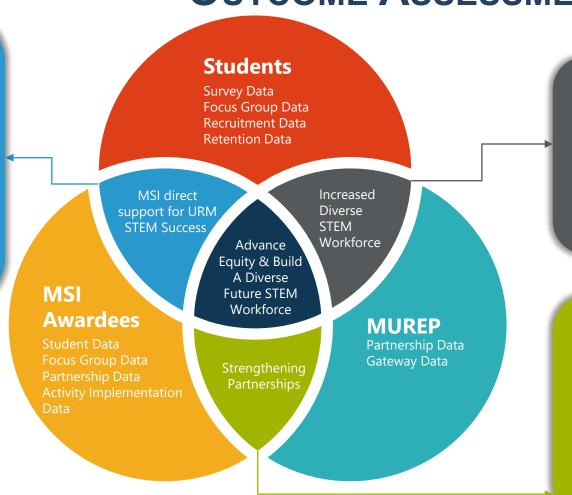
OUTCOME ASSESSMENT FRAMEWORK

How and to what extent are MUREP Funded Activities:

- recruiting student participants?
- retaining student participants?
- supporting student conversion to the STEM workforce?

Has participating in a MUREP Funded Activity enhanced student:

- STEM identity?
- sense of belonging?



How and to what extent are **strategic** partnerships helping to:

- broaden participation of students from historically underrepresented and underserved communities?
- increase the STEM workforce?

How and to what extent are strategic partnerships helping to:

- broaden participation of Minority Serving Institutions?
- broaden participation of students from historically underrepresented and underserved communities?
- increase the STEM workforce?





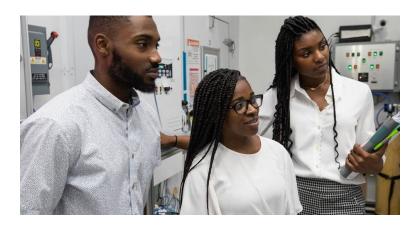






FY23 Snapshot

New MUREP Solicitations



MUREP Data Science, Equity, Access and Priority in Research (DEAP) - February 2023

~\$500k per award / 3-Year POP

8 Awards

8 HBCUs



MUREP Precollege Summer Institute (MUREP PSI) - March 2023

~\$65k per award /3-Year POP

8 Awards

8 HBCUs / PBIs



MUREP Women's Colleges and Universities (WCU) - June 2023

~\$250k per award / 3-5-Year POP

7 Awards

1 HSI / 6 WCUs



FY23 Snapshot

Forthcoming MUREP Solicitations



MUREP Curriculum Awards (MCA) -Tentative July 2023

~\$400k per award /3-Year POP

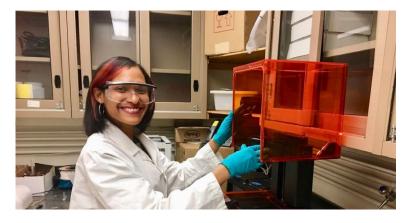
~4-6 Awards



MUREP Space Technology Artemis Research (MSTAR) – Tentative July 2023

\$300k per award /3-Year POP

~10 awards



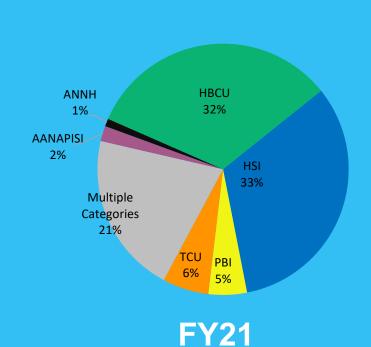
MUREP Partnerships Learning Annual Notification (MPLAN) – Tentative July 2023

\$50K per award / 6-Month POP

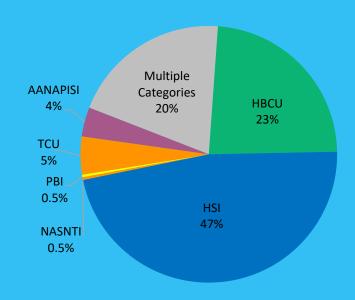
~18 Awards

MUREP Obligations to MSIs (FY21 – FY23)



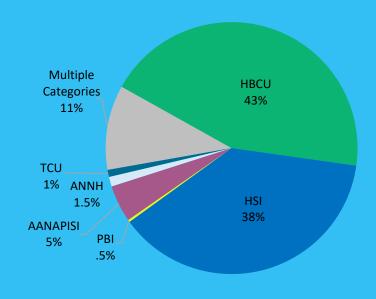






FY22





FY23

Total: \$20M *

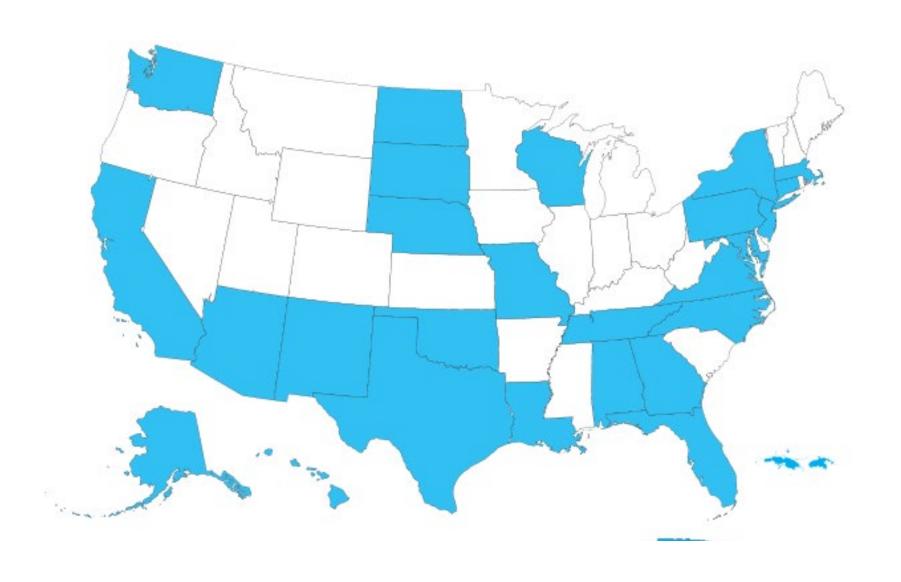
*Preliminary data includes continuing awards; does not include pending awards.





FY23 Geographical Distribution of MUREP Awards





124 Awards

78 MSIs

29 States/Territories



MUREP MSI Exchange



The MSI Exchange is a public website and searchable database, to present capabilities found at HBCUs / MSIs that are relevant to NASA's Mission. NASA, other federal agencies, industry and academia can search STEM profiles and capability statements to identify Institutions for partnership opportunities.

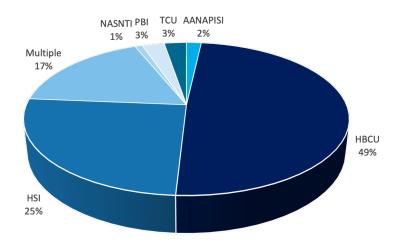
- 19 Technical Assistance Workshops
- **126** Searchable Capability Statements
 - **33** States & Territories

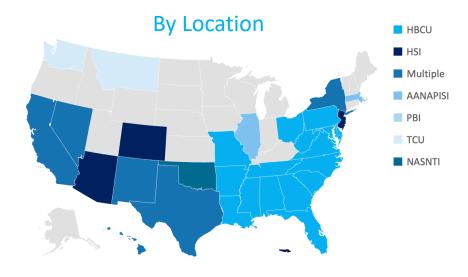




Capability Statements in the MSI Exchange

By MSI Type

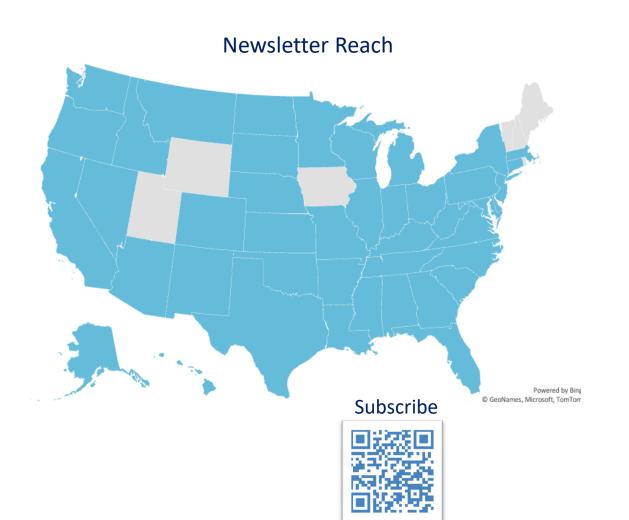




MSI Engagement Newsletter



By the end of fiscal year 2022, approximately <u>1,900</u> representatives from <u>490</u> MSIs subscribed to receive MUREP's biweekly MSI Engagement Newsletter for NASA opportunities.







MUREP Leveraging Partnerships to Drive Participation



Goal - Create and leverage internal and external strategic partnerships that build capacity at MSIs

Key Partners

Internal:

NASA Mission Directorates:

- > Aeronautics Research
- > Exploration Systems Development
- Science
- Space Operations
- Space Technology

Mission Support Offices:











White House Initiatives:



White House Initiative on Advancing Educational Equity, Excellence, and Economic Opportunity for Hispanics



White House Initiative on Advancing
Educational Equity, Excellence, and Economic
Opportunity through Historically Black Colleges
and Universities

Federal Agencies:













Minority Conference Organizations:















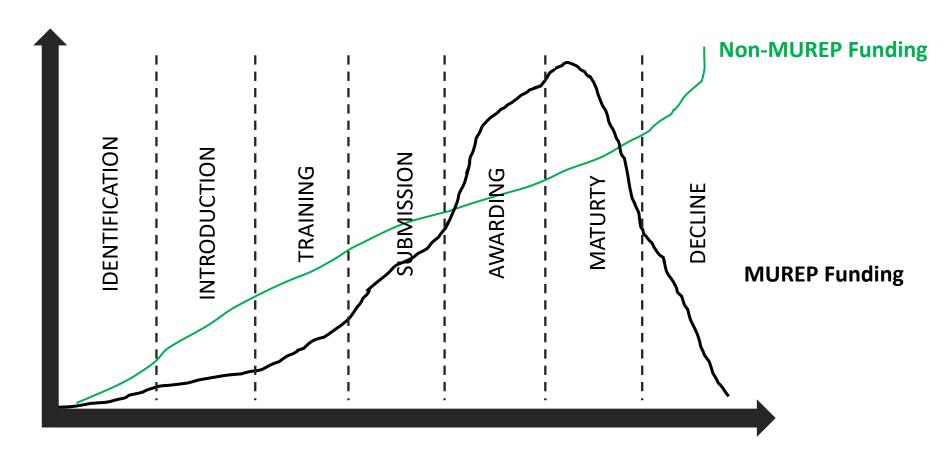




MUREP Partnerships Continuum



MSI Sustainability Life Cycle





NASA HBCU / MSI Technology Infusion Road Tour



MUREP hosted the HBCU / MSI Technology Infusion Road Tour, a semiannual hybrid event in partnership with NASA's Office of Procurement, Office of Small Business Programs, and the Small Business Innovation

Research and Small Business Technology Transfer (SBIR / STTR) program.

126 HBCUs / MSIs
23 States & Territories

Campus Hosts:

University of Chicago Illinois, April 2022
Texas Southern University, September 2022
University of Central Florida, April 2023
Clark Atlanta University, October 2023







MUREP Partnerships Learning Annual Notification (MPLAN)



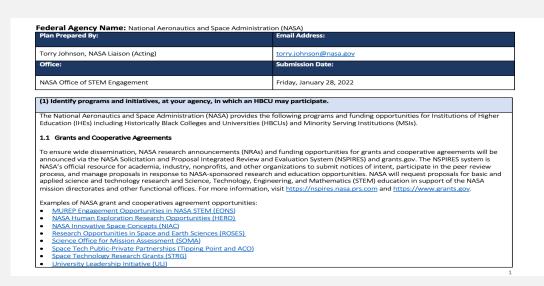
A new way for MSIs to collaborate with NASA





Advancing NASA's Goal to Increase Funding to HBCUs - EO 14041

NASA has established strategic goals and metrics in support of White House Executive Order 14041 to increase the capacity of HBCUs to compete effectively for funding and increase their participation in programs and initiatives that contribute substantially to NASA's mission and national priorities.







Goal 1: Increase the capacity of HBCUs to compete for and receive NASA funding and other financial resources.

Goal 2: Increase the amount of funds awarded to HBCUs through competitive grants, contracts, and cooperative agreements.

Goal 3: Increase the recruitment/applicant pool of HBCU students and graduates for STEM engagement & future workforce opportunities.

Goal 4: Increase the representation/selection of HBCU students in NASA-sponsored programs.



NASA Awards \$11.7M to 8 HBCUs – February 2023

MUREP DEAP

Data Science, Equity, Access and Priority in Research and Education

Established to enable HBCU students and faculty to conduct innovative data science research that contributes to NASA's missions.

















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NASA Awards \$3.4M to 7 HBCUs & 1 PBI – March 2023

MUREP PSI

Precollege Summer Institute

Established to enhance high school students' precollege performance and help them achieve success in higher education pursuits and STEM careers

















Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (CIAA)



STEM + PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT / Over 15 Years

High School Education Day

NASA "Color of Space" Documentary Screening

Career Fair

Fan Fest Public Engagement

NASA showcase at CIAA games





















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- Summary of Partnership Efforts
- Recent Partnerships
 - Types of Engagements
- Trends in Support Requests and New Opportunities
- US Dept of ED: Initial Engagement



CONNECTION TO THE AGENCY PORTFOLIO



NASA Support Structures (STEM Engagement)

Grants and Cooperative Agreements

- NASA Defines
 Requirements and
 Provides financial
 support
 - Space Grant
 - EPSCOR
 - MUREP
 - TEAMS II

Networks and Alliances

- NASA led support structure to share mission content and direct services to institutions or educators.
 - Museum and Informal Education Alliance
 - Astro-camp
 - CONNECTS
 - SPARX

Partnerships

- NASA and External organizations collaborate on mutually beneficial goals.
- Level of effort is substantial enough that a formal agreement is generally necessary.
- No NASA funding is provided.



Goals and Priorities



Goals

- Engage students across the United States in opportunities connected to NASA missions, themes or and Programs
- Bolster external efforts that contribute to federal STEM goals
- Broaden participation of students from groups traditionally underrepresented and underserved in STEM and STEM careers

STEM Engagement Committee Content Priorities

- Artemis I
- James Webb
- K-12 Engagement

Typical Supports

- NASA mission data
- NASA Imagery and Video
- Access to Subject matter expertise in scientific and technical disciplines
- NASA consultation on technical content review and career pathways
- Access to subject matter expertise in NASA STEM education and related disciplines





FY2022-23: STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS



Engagement with 121 Organizations

Key Numbers

23 Active Enterprise OSTEM Non-Reimbursable Space Act Agreements

17 Artemis I Themed Opportunities development in collaboration with partners

7M+ Digital engagements (Content Downloads, Education Multi-Media Uses and Virtual Event Participants)*

Example Collaborators































*FY 22 Metrics Provided by Partners or available through Public Sources





ENTERPRISE-WIDE PARTNERSHIP COORDINATION



Guiding Documents:

- Agency Partnership Handbook
- STEM Engagement Partnerships Practical Guide STEM
- **Engagement Partnership Best Practices**
- Open Partnership Call
- STEM Engagement Partnership Rubric





PARTNERSHIP SELECTION CRITERIA



Office of STEM Engagement releases on open call for partnerships. This document is updated annually based upon feedback from the SEC and OGC.

- Goals
- Priorities
- Supports Available
- Selection Process and Criteria
- Format for Statement of Interest Submission
- Timeline
- Shell Agreement

Selection Criteria (Top Level)

Alignment to Goals

Benefit to NASA and Partner

Target Audience

Diversity and Inclusion Plan

Intended Outcomes

Anticipated Return on Non-Financial Investment

Timeline

https://www.nasa.gov/stem/partnerships/index.html



Typical Use Case of NASA Support



Position NASA resources within partner networks and platforms

29%

Modify NASA resources or use them as inspiration for new products

29%

Collaborate around common themes or events

42%





Summary of Product/Activity Audience



Product or opportunities delivered directly to students

27%

Materials or resources for educators to use both in and out of classrooms

56%

Opportunities for families, parents, or caregivers

17%

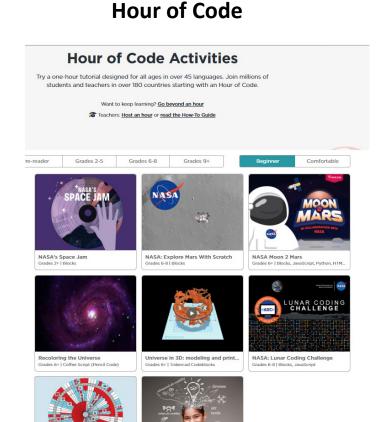


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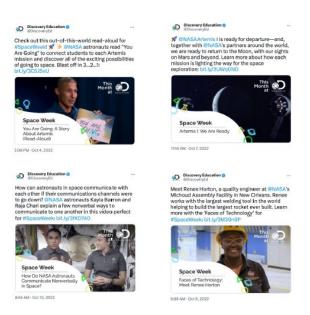
Example Projects

- Code.org
- Flip
- Discovery Education
- LabXchange
- Million Girls Moonshot
- Charles Stewart Mott/Mizzen
- AT&T Achievery
- STEM Connector



95K Resource Engagements

Discovery Education



1.1M+ Product
Engagements in last
10 months





Modify NASA Resources or Use them as Inspiration

for New Products



Download Thinking Sheet 1

Download Thinking Sheet 2

Day 1: January 23rd



Daily Video

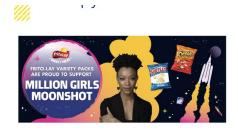


Challenge Video

Example Projects

- AIA
- Crayola Education
- Frito-Lay
- **LEGO Education**
- Peanuts Worldwide
- Pear Deck
- Google (Applied Digital Skills)









Frito Lay (Back to School) Displays in 250K **US Stores**

Crayola

Education

Registered

3.5M Students



Collaborate around Common Themes or Events



Example Projects

- Minecraft Edu
- AIAA
- Amazon Future Engineers
- Challenger Learning Cente
- Discover Engineering
- Microsoft
- Girl Scouts USA
- Google (Arts and Culture)
- Learn Fresh
- Disney
- US Forest Service



Minecraft Edu

Millions of Downloads in Commercial and Education Version



AIAA/Students to Launch

Enables participation of hundreds of students from under resourced communities in launches



Google

Huge Popularity in use of 3D Models and imagery, videos and articles



NOGGIN

2M+ Views in Space Explorers You tube Channel





Updates on New Supports Tied to Common Trends









STEM+: DATA SCIENCE AND DATA LITERACY

INTERNSHIPS

CAREER PATHWAYS AND ROLE MODEL EXAMPLES



Updates on New Supports Tied to Common Trends





STEM+: DATA
SCIENCE AND
DATA LITERACY

- Including Data Sets as New Product Category in NASA Online Search/Materials Repository
- Created 6 Earth Science Data Sets and supporting data sheets (Cleaned and Original Versions) for use in K-12 Settings (Release in August)



 Developing Internal Guidance for Centers, Missions and Mentors on Process to Engage Partners in Student Identification and Selection



CAREER
PATHWAYS AND
ROLE MODEL
EXAMPLES

- Completed First Season of <u>Surprisingly STEM</u> a video career series for K-12 Audiences
- Will launch Season 2 in the Fall and include opportunities for live interaction with featured SMEs as part of support structure



US Dept of Education MOU



MOU Highlights

- White House Space Priorities
- You Belong in STEM Campaign
- Earth System Research
- Inspiration Through Missions

Priority Points

- Strengthen coordination around strategies, plans and communications
- Expand Access to Research, Internships, etc
- Support STEM Ecosystem Effort
- Increase Teaching Capacity
- Diversity and Inclusion Efforts
- Career and Technical Education
- Broad Based Student Engagement





US Dept of Education Projects



Active Projects

| Project | Description |
|---|--|
| Career and Technical Education | CTE Momentum Your Place in Space Challenge (Released in April 2023) Middle School Space Accelerator (Summer and Fall 2023) |
| TRIO/Upward Bound | Coordination of Grant Opportunities with MUREP Precollege Summer Institute (8 Multi-Year Awards Announced in March 2023 with UB/UBMS Programs) |
| 21 st Century Community Learning Centers | Multi-Year Collaboration for Afterschool STEM Challenges and Support (Launches in Fall 2023) |
| Communications Coordination | Collaboration on Artemis Crew II Announcement (April 2023) Planning for Back-to-School Campaign (Summer/Fall 2023) |
| You Belong in STEM | NASA support and alignment for next steps in campaign |



Science Webinar Series





Significant space milestones and phenomena in fall 2023 and spring 2024 provide unique opportunities to capture the imagination of students and the public.



Please join NASA's Science Mission Directorate, Office of Communications and Office of STEM Engagement for an informational webinar to learn more.

July 25, 2023 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. ET

Registration Link: www.surveymonkey.com/r/SolarEclipseWebinar



Large segments of the U.S., Central America and Canada will experience a pair of solar eclipses. Learn about the annular solar eclipse on October 14, 2023, and the total solar eclipse on April 8, 2024. Both provide a rare opportunity for students and the public to learn first-hand about the relationship between the Earth. Moon and Sun. Learn about:

- · The science behind solar eclipses
- · Connections to NASA's study of the Sun
- How to view eclipses safely
- · NASA's plans for public and student engagement

Collaborative Webinar Series for Partners

- Developed with SMD and OCOMM
- Upcoming Topics
 - Eclipse (July)
 - Asteroid Autumn (August)
 - James Webb (December)
 - Eclipse Update (February)

Eclipse Agenda

- Eclipse Overview and Safety
- Connections to NASA Mission and Key Messages
- NASA Engagement Plans





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