NEW VIRTUAL MISSION!

DESTINATION MOON

Delivered in real-time, online by Challenger Learning Center Flight Directors

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- Designed for grades 7-8 and aligned to national education standards
- 1-hour experience delivered from start to finish by a Flight Director
- Perfect for remote, hybrid, and socially distant classrooms
- Features small group and whole class activities
- Students need a device with audio and video capability and an internet connection
- No handouts or supplies needed
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Student teams in Mission Control have a critical job: initiate the launch of New Glenn into orbit to land Blue Moon safely on the lunar surface. While in orbit, teams monitor for potentially dangerous space weather and space debris, conduct safety checks on the spacecraft systems, deploy and monitor satellites, and launch payloads.

With the journey underway, Mission Control learns there is an oxygen leak at the original lunar habitat that is putting the astronauts at risk. The team in Mission Control will work with the crew already on the Moon to use the given supplies and fix the oxygen leak. Can they repair the leak using the limited supplies they have on their base? Will the crew repair the leak in time before it threatens their safety on the Moon? A successful mission depends on it.

Student Teams: Teamwork is critical to our mission! Each student is assigned to a team and works with their small group to complete their research and analysis.

**Mapping Team**
Monitor GPS coordinates, system, and identify potential space debris. Select orbital entry point around the moon.

**Engines Team**

**Structure Team**
Conduct systems checks on the satellites. Launch GPS satellites. Conduct spacecraft systems checks.

**Tracking Team**
Monitor solar weather. Determine if payloads need midcourse corrections. Monitor moon space debris to ensure a clear orbital path.

Ready for Launch?!