Boeing Sponsors Space Academy For Teachers

Twenty-four elementary and high school teachers from across the United States are attending Space Academy for Educators - under the sponsorship of the commercial, aerospace and defense units of The Boeing Company.

Space Academy for Educators is one of several highly regarded U.S. Space Camp (http://spacecamp.com/) programs for adults. It is designed to enable teachers to inspire and motivate students in math and science when they return to their classrooms. Also, the teachers will receive classroom materials to assist in developing new space- and science-based educational programs.

"We're delighted to give teachers this opportunity for real, hands-on exposure to the Nation's work in space so they can create exciting new programs for successive generations of students," said John A. McLuckey, executive vice president of Boeing Defense & Space Group. "Since 1992, we've sponsored more than 100 teachers who, in turn, have carried back the challenge of space and science to more than 12,000 students."

Teachers from Alabama, California, Georgia, Florida, Kansas, Mississippi, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Washington gathered at the U.S. Space Camp facility in Titusville, Fla., beginning Saturday, July 26. They will take part in a week-long curriculum of lectures by space experts, hands-on activities, astronaut training and simulated space missions. Included will be an extensive tour of the NASA Kennedy Space Center, site of U.S. shuttle launches.

The teachers come from areas in which The Boeing Company has facilities and provides employment:

Alabama:

- Sheila Bailey Roby, Butler High School, Huntsville
- Natalie Mitchell, Riverton Middle School, Huntsville

California:

- Jeff Bradbury, Warren High School, Downey
- Karin Hague, Lancaster High School, Lancaster
- Leigh C. Hoven-Severson, James H. Cox Elementary School, Fountain Valley
- Cathy Kenney, El Oro Way Elementary School, Granada Hills
- Anne Maben, Long Beach Polytechnic High School, Long Beach
- Judy Michel, Stoddard Elementary School, Anaheim
- Joey Safdeye, Gridley Street Elementary School, San Fernando

Florida:

- Karen Flickinger, Jefferson Junior High School, Merritt Island

Georgia:

- Elizabeth Mitchell, Fort Daniel Elementary School, Dacula

Kansas:

- John C. Nordine, North High School, Wichita
- Willadeen Wahl, Trusdell Middle School, Derby
- Tyson Roone Yager, East High School, Wichita

Mississippi:

- Alice Spiers, McNeill Middle School, McNeill

Ohio:

- Brian B. Beatty, Heath High School, Heath
- Lewis Scott Henry, Heath High School, Heath

Pennsylvania:

- Teri Butson, Price Elementary School, Lancaster
- Maryanne V. Facciolle, Unionville High School, Kennett Square
- Mary Beth Licata, Cardinal O'Hara High School, Springfield

Washington:

- Janet Aoki, Park Orchard Elementary School, Kent
- Allison Jean Bergstrom, Bailey Gatzert Elementary School, Seattle
- Margaret Ann Boitano, Bailey Gatzert Elementary School, Seattle
- Mycol James Winston, Sylvester Middle School, Burien

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