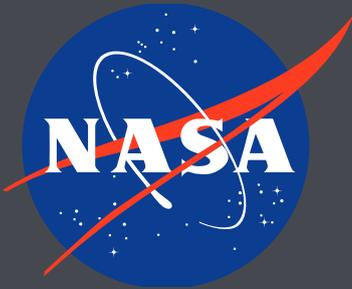




STEM Study Tours

Travel with Purpose

ENSURING YOU HAVE AN INCREDIBLE EXPERIENCE IS OUR MAIN GOAL. BELOW YOU WILL FIND SOME KEY ITEMS YOU WANT TO BE SURE TO BRING ON YOUR STEM STUDY ADVENTURE!



TEXAS STEM TRIP ESSENTIALS

- **Rain Gear:** The weather in Texas can be extremely unpredictable. Please keep this in mind and always travel with adequate rain gear so you are prepared for anything. **Rain or shine, NASA doesn't stop!**
- **Bug Repellent:** Although our time outside will be limited, in certain seasons the mosquito can be quite the nuisance. We highly suggest, and many destinations require, **Non-Deet** bug repellents as Deet-based repellents can damage the local environment.
- **Mineral Sunscreen:** Our time in the sunshine will be limited but we always suggest bringing sunscreen. Please note it is highly recommended to use Mineral Sunscreen as it is environmentally friendly.
- **Swimsuit:** Many destinations offer a pool or a hot tub, and at NASA we will be utilizing a local pool for our water robotics and diving sessions. Please consult your teachers prior to swimming as generally, no lifeguards are on duty.
- **Breakfast Footwear:** We suggest bringing a pair of flip-flops or other easy shoes to slip on for breakfast at your hotel.
- **Toiletries:** Although many hotels offer some form of toiletries, this is not a guarantee, and many times what is available is not enough to share between multiple guests. We recommend that you pack **shampoo/conditioner, lotion, oral hygiene items,** and any other items that you may need for a comfortable stay.
- At NASA the classrooms tend to be on the cold side. Please be prepared with layers and a **sweatshirt or light jacket** to ensure your experience is as comfortable as possible.



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CARRY-ON ESSENTIALS

Unexpected things may happen on any trip, and our goal is to be as prepared as possible in any situation. Below is a suggested list of items to pack in your carry-on.

- **Passport or Identification Card:** Please **bring at least one photocopy** of your passport's information page. or a photocopy of your state issued ID card.
- **Refillable Water Bottle**
- **Prescription Medications:** Please do not pack any prescription medications into your checked luggage. There have been instances where the airlines have lost luggage containing medications and were unable to deliver it for several days. **All prescriptions must be in it's original container, showing who it has been prescribed to.** We also highly recommend carrying a copy of your prescription with you in case it needs to be replaced.
- **Glasses:** We always suggest that anyone who wears glasses brings an **extra pair!** An eyeglass store is not always available, and it can be challenging to replace them while on trip.
- **Saline Solution/Eye drops:** Whether you wear contacts or not, the in-flight atmosphere can be extremely drying on the eyes. Keeping your eyes moist will help you have a comfortable flight.
- **Travel Blanket or Layers:** The in-flight temperature is kept at a minimum to help ensure the health of all passengers. Always bring layers or a travel blanket with you to help keep you warm during the flight.
- **Cameras, Electronics and other Valuables:** Always keep any valuables or electronics with you in your carry-on to ensure their safety. Money, jewelry and prescription drugs should be carried with you. Make sure you have at least a toothbrush and other essential toiletries in your carry-on bag.
- **Liquids & Gels:** Please check with your carrier to inquire about current standards and TSA regulations as to what you can bring aboard as well as size and weight limitations.
- **Staff Credit Card for emergency medical needs** (Note: Typical medical facilities will require payment at the time service is rendered and then the group should request reimbursement from your insurance company upon return)
- **Articles that cannot be transported as checked baggage:** The following items should not be packed in checked baggage. If a loss of these items should occur, the airlines will not be held liable and will only compensate lost baggage according to their lost baggage policies.
 - *Passport & Important Documents
 - *Currency
 - *Fragile & Perishable Articles
 - *Jewelry



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