Program-Title NASA Systems Engineering Award

**STEM Inventory** 

Entry# 54

Org-Type Government-based

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Service-Region Nationwide

Type Student Program

Subjects Engineering
Level Undergraduate

Other-Objectives aeronautics, systems engineering, mechanical engineering, engineering design process

Served-per-Year 1000 Demographics

Content This award is an opportunity for university students to work with NASA engineers to conceive, design, fabricate and test a radio-

controlled aircraft capable of taking off and landing while carrying a maximum load of cargo. Students will develop their aircraft and compete for the new NASA Systems Engineering Award as part of the Aero Design competition, made possible through a partnership between NASA's Aeronautics Research Mission Directorate and SAE International. Students competing for the award will receive e-ma feedback from NASA engineers who will review the students' work at two critical points during the design and development of their aircraft. Participation in the NASA Systems Engineering Award is optional. The purpose of this new award is to engage students in the systems engineering process. NASA wants to expose more of today's engineering students to systems engineering concepts and

practice, which are integral to industry and research in today's world.

Outcomes With this competition, NASA continues its tradition of investing in the nation's education programs. The competition directly ties into

the agency's major education goal of strengthening NASA and the nation's future workforce. Through this and the agency's other college and university programs, NASA will identify and develop the critical skills and capabilities needed to support its long-term

aeronautics requirements.

Started Funded-Through

Length Ongoing Cost

Primary-Funding Primary-\$

Materials

Other-Funding Aeronautics Research Mission Directorate, NASA Headquarters

**How-Assessed** 

Best-Practice-Why

**Promising-Practice** 

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Other-Orgs Various university teams from around the country that participate in the SAE International Aero Design West and Aero Design East

competitions