



EXPLORE SCIENCE
Earth & Space

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Exhibition Toolkits

Professional Development



The *Sun* powers Earth and our solar system.



Planetary systems like ours may contain water and life.



Our society chooses to explore Earth and space.



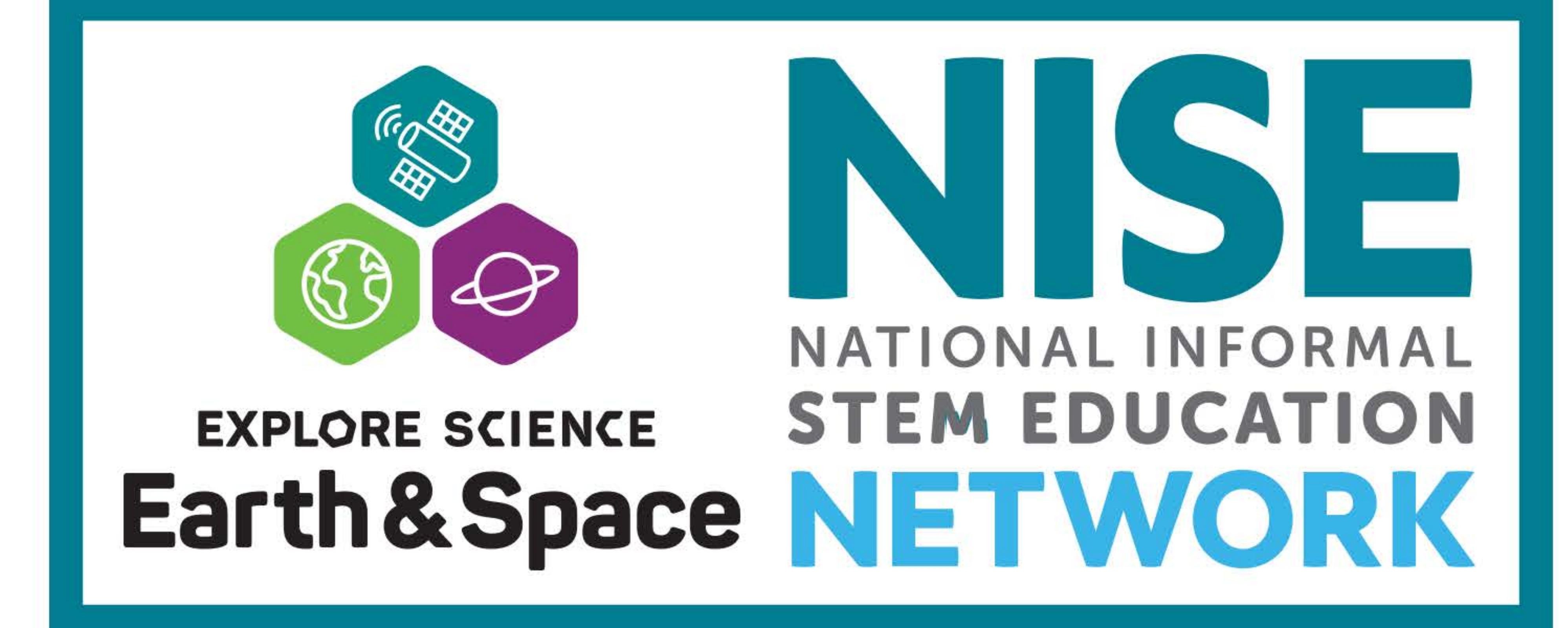
Earth is a changing planet of air, water, rock, and life.



The *universe* is very large, old, and mysterious.



Forces and energy connect everything in the universe.



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Experience Earth and space *phenomena* and explore scientific discoveries.

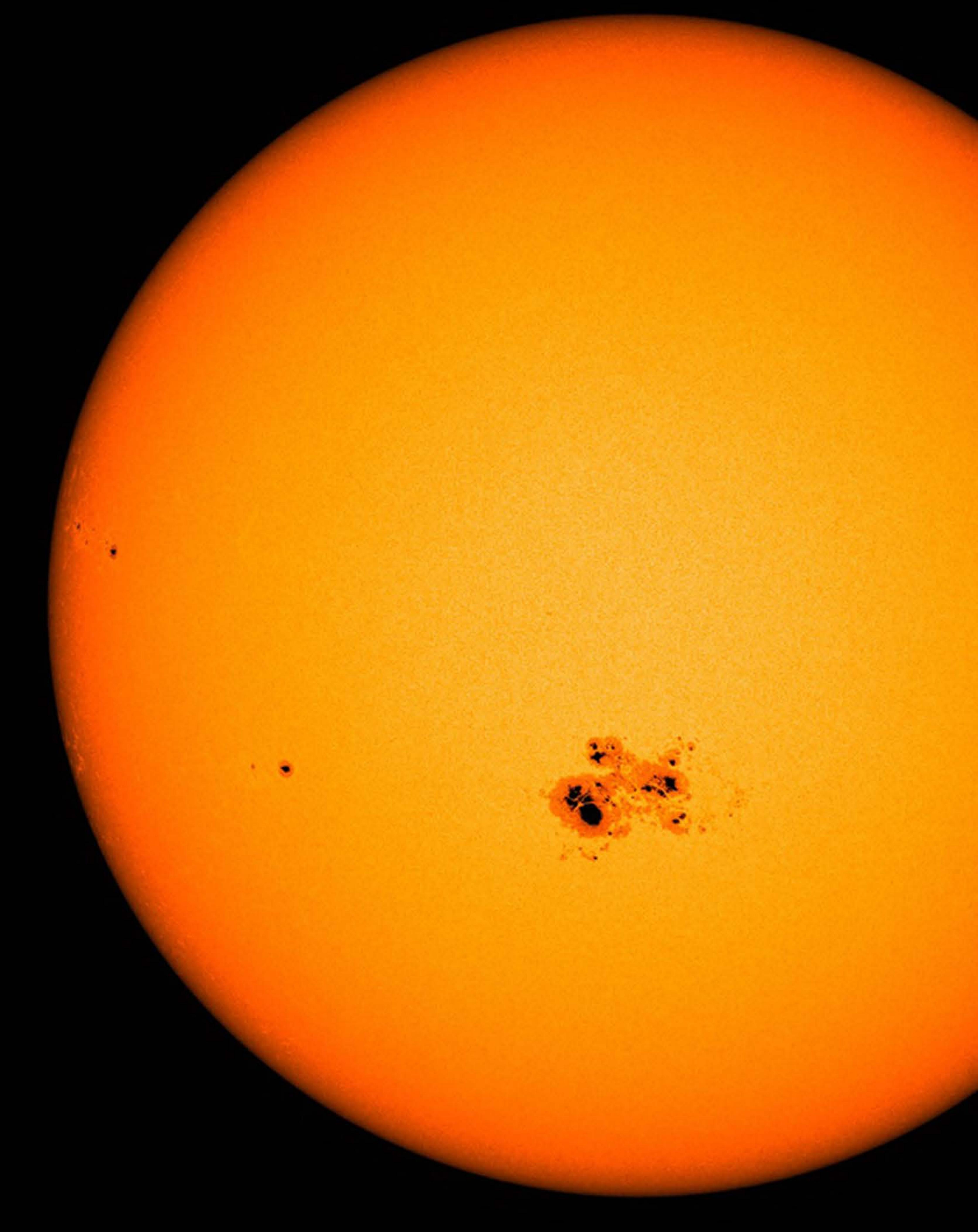
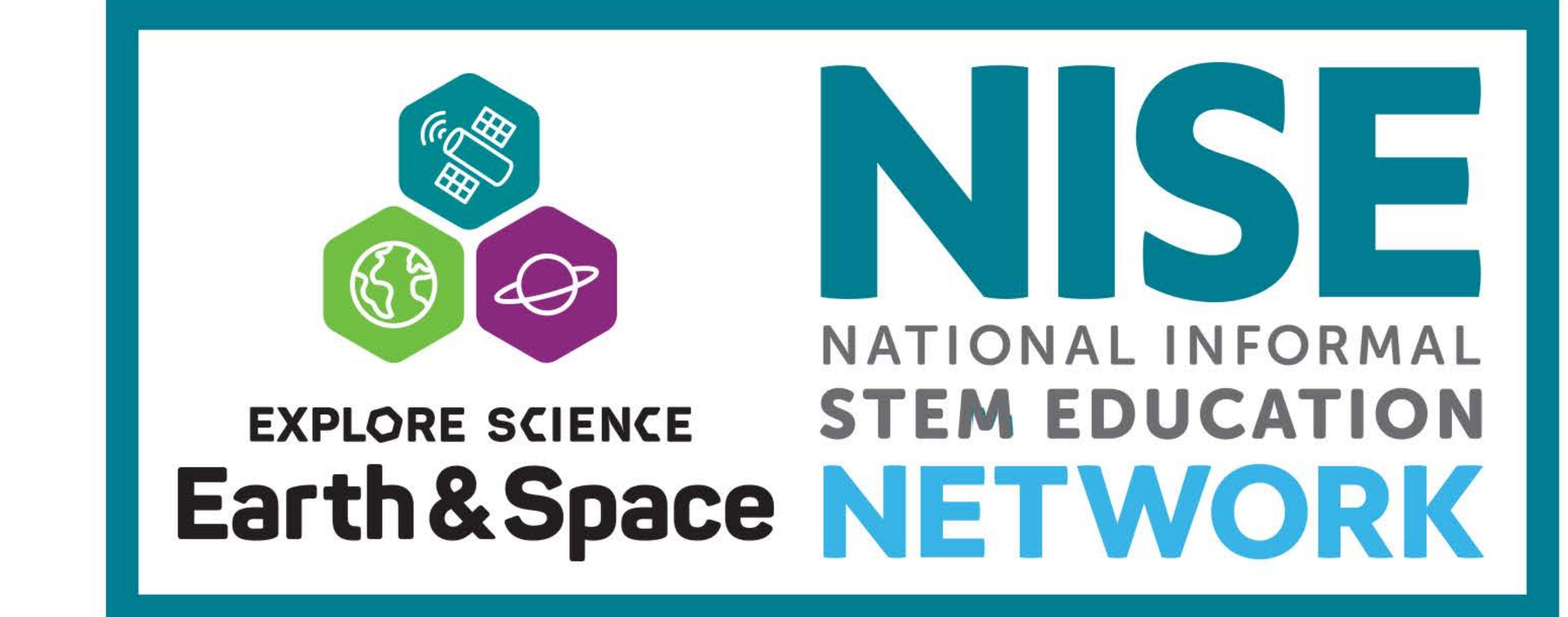
Use the scientific *process* and reflect on science as a way of knowing.

Participate in the scientific community and identify as a science learner.



Exploring the Solar System: Observe the Sun

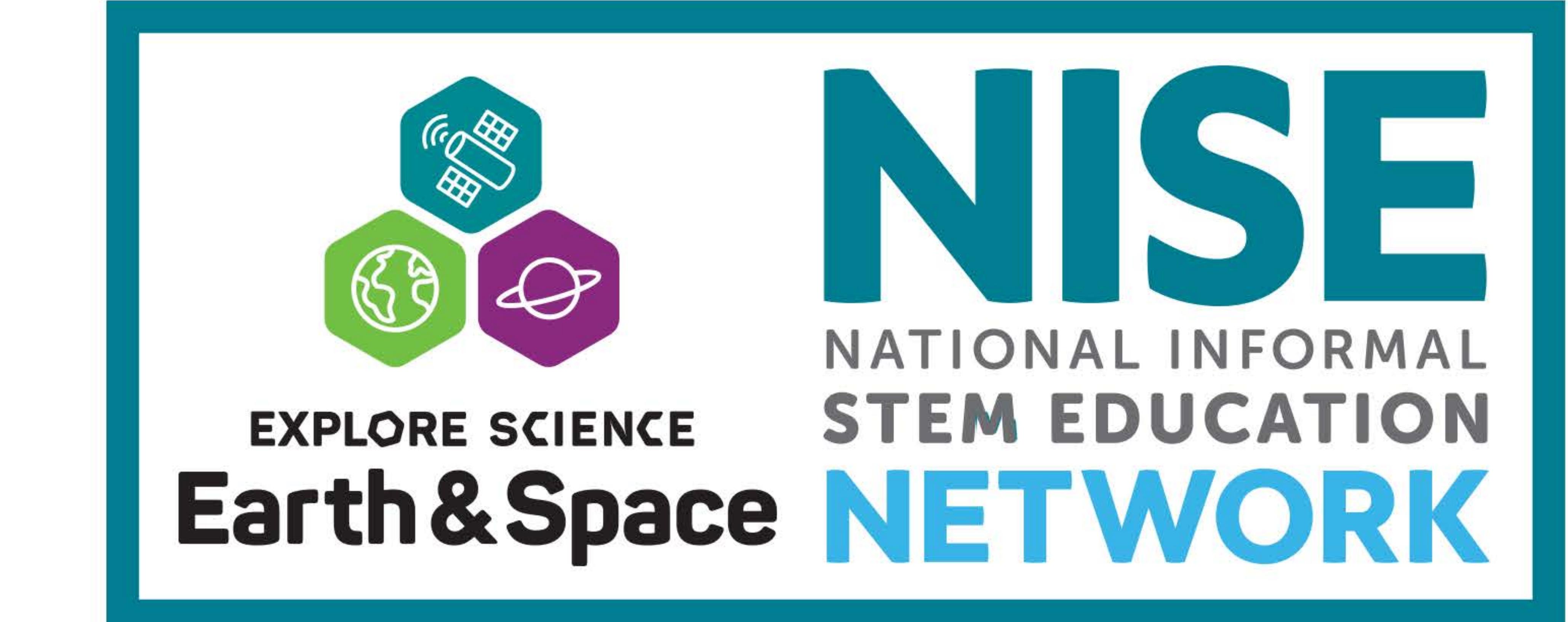
- Great connections to NASA's amazing data set from the Solar Dynamics Observatory
- Strong emphasis on real science tools
- Conversation starter for the changing nature of the Sun and observations of real solar phenomena
- Tactile Sun sheets included for diverse audiences





Exploring the Solar System: Hide and Seek Moon

- Adapted existing activity with strong inquiry
- Good early learner STEM experience for our children's museum partners & great science tools
- Nice literacy and cultural connections with related to the included children's book
- Perfect Apollo anniversary connection opportunity





Exploring the Universe: Static Electricity

- Building a real science tools to make observations about forces and energy around you
- Great connections to lightning on Earth and other planets in our solar system
- Good stories about safety procedures when building NASA spacecraft

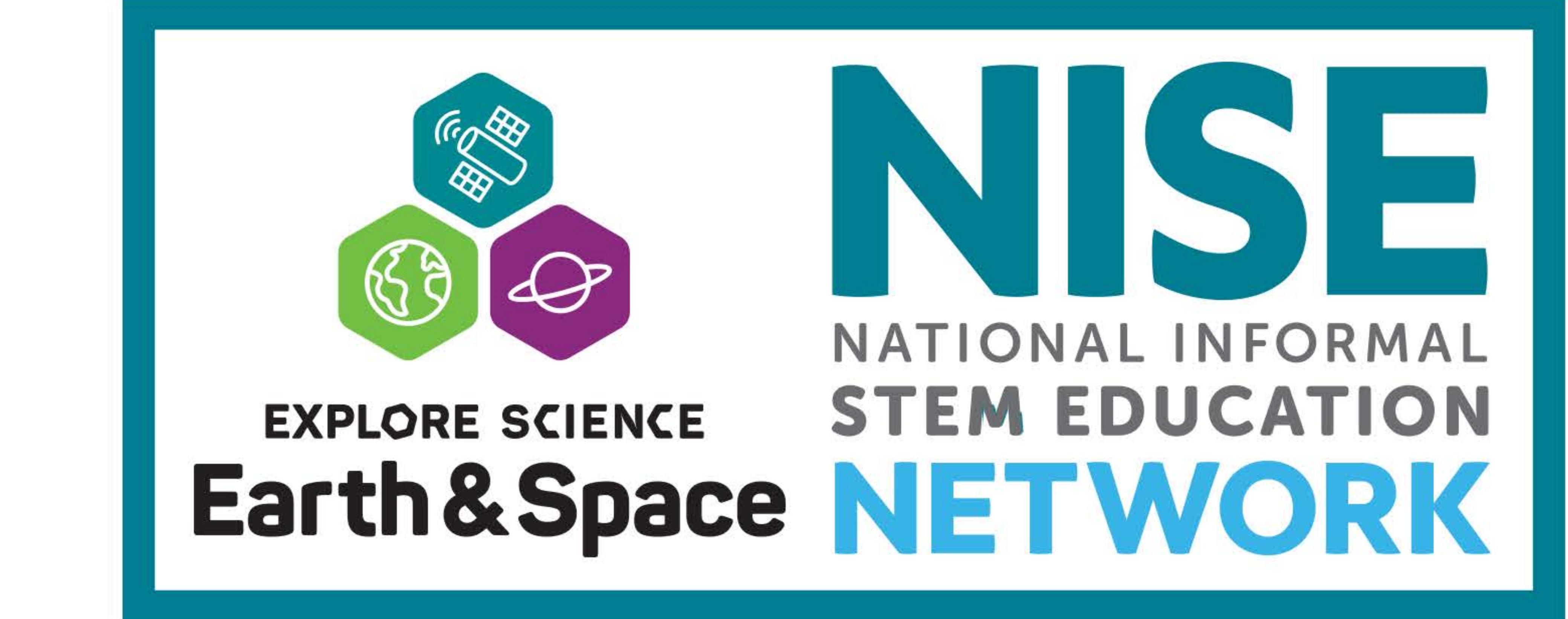


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Upcoming 2020 toolkit: Design, Build, Test

- Hands-on and engaging experience of the engineering process to create a NASA spacecraft
- Strong connections to the science tools used on real NASA missions through construction pieces
- Shake and spin tests similar to NASA spacecraft testing
- Toolkit application is open, 350 awards:
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these resources at
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Thank you!



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