

## NASA and the Navajo Nation Exploring Our Origins...and Life on Earth Workshops for Teachers and School Board Members

Begun in 2005, the NASA and the Navajo Nation Partnership celebrated 14 years of partnership by hosting two workshops for K-12 educators and school board members from across the Navajo Nation.

>60 people attended each event, both held in the Farmington, NM area.

Presentations and hands-on activities brought together scientific and Cultural knowledge into a "dual-learning environment" wherein connections between these two ways of knowing were explored.

Themes covered include stellar evolution, planetary system formation, the origin and evolution of life, the Four Worlds of Diné

cosmology, Sa'ah Nighai Bík'éh Hózhóón, K'é, Shábik'egho, the EM Spectrum, light and energy, and the Diné Cradleboard.

Plans for a Summer Camp for middle school-aged Diné youth are underway...

