

Clintonians graduate from Space Camp



Pictured (l to r) are Isaiah Schellang and Mary Culipher Stephens of Clinton.

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Isaiah Schellang and Mary Culipher Stephens of Clinton recently attended Space Camp at the U.S. Space and Rocket Center, home of Space Camp®, Space Camp® Robotics™, Aviation Challenge®, U.S. Cyber Camp® and NASA Marshall Space Flight Center's Official Visitor Center.

The weeklong educational program promotes science, technology, engineering and math (STEM), while training students and with hands-on activities and missions based on teamwork, leadership and problem solving.

The program is specifically designed for trainees who have a passion for space exploration. Schellang and Stephens spent the week train-

ing with a team that flew a simulated space mission to the International Space Station (ISS), the Moon or Mars. The crew participated in experiments and successfully completed an extra-vehicular activity (EVA), or spacewalk. Schellang, Stephens and crew returned to earth in time to graduate with honors.

Space Camp operates year-round in Huntsville, Alabama, and uses astronaut training techniques to engage trainees in real-world applications of STEM subjects. Students sleep in quarters designed to resemble the ISS and train in simulators like those used by NASA.

More than 850,000 trainees have graduated from a Space Camp® program since its inception in Huntsville,



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Mary Culipher Stephens of Clinton graduates from Space Camp. Pictured are Stephens and astronaut Bob Stringer.

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Alabama, in 1982, including European Space Agency astronaut Samantha Cristoforetti and NASA astronauts Dottie Metcalf-Lindenburger, Dr. Kate Rubins, Dr. Serena Auñón-Chancellor and Christina Koch, who is serving onboard the International

Space Station. Children and teachers from all fifty states and almost 150 international locations have attended a Space Camp® program.

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