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SUNNYVALE: TEACHERS SPENDING SUMMER AT LOCKHEED

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SUNNYVALE (BCN)

A group of 23 Bay Area teachers will spend eight weeks this summer learning about the latest space technologies during a fellowship at Lockheed Martin's Silicon Valley facilities, the company announced today.

The fellowships are part of an annual program sponsored by the Industry Initiatives for Science and Math Education designed to help stimulate a student interest in science and math by exposing teachers to real world situations where that knowledge is used.

"We take great pride in our long-standing support of IISME and our collective efforts to enrich math and science education in the Bay Area," Lockheed Martin Vice President Kevin Bilger said. "We look forward to another successful summer of providing our teachers with firsthand experience so they can return to the classroom and better motivate students to pursue careers in math, science and technology."

The 23 teachers are from across the Bay Area. More than half of them are high school teachers with most of the rest being middle school and elementary teachers. One San Jose City College instructor is also participating in the program, according to Lockheed Martin spokesman Steve Tatum.

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