

# BLAST

## *Building Leaders for Advancing Science and Technology*

The Building Leaders for Advancing Science and Technology (BLAST) program offers an exciting, on-campus summer experience designed to increase student interest and curiosity in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM). BLAST provides a residential opportunity to current 8th and 9th grade students. Faculty members lead hands-on activities and demonstrations that seek to motivate and inspire students for STEM studies and careers. BLAST is free of charge to students who are selected to participate, but transportation to and from Virginia Tech and the University of Virginia is the responsibility of each family. The program is a partnership between the Virginia Space Grant Consortium (VSGC), the University of Virginia, Virginia Tech and the Commonwealth of Virginia.

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[www.blast.spacegrant.org](http://www.blast.spacegrant.org)

### Summer 2015 Session Dates

#### Virginia Tech

- July 12-15

#### University of Virginia

- July 26-29

- August 2-5

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