

CREATE 'N' CODE

MARS MISSION III: ROVER

Dear Families,

Welcome to The STEAM Project's **Create 'N' Code: Mars Mission III** Virtual Program! We're looking forward to getting started with the program. Below you will find information about preparing for your course:

What's inside your kit:

- Cardboard wheels x4 (circle pieces) & shell
- 1x Micro:bit inside a green box (you will also need the one from Part I)
- 1x Breakout Board inside a black box
- Chassis base (wooden piece)
- Bag 1:
 - 3x F-F dupont wires
 - o 2x AAA batteries & battery pack
 - o 3x AA batteries & battery pack with M-F dupont soldered on
 - 2x yellow gear motors
 - o 2x screws and nuts
 - Ultrasonic Sensor
- Baq 2:
 - 3D printed motor pins and motor axles
 - Full servo horn (small white plastic piece)
 - o 3D printed holder for the ultrasonic sensor
 - Short wooden dowels
- Bag 3:
 - Small Wooden pieces
 - One wooden piece with a blue servo motor attached
- Tool kit with wood glue, popsicle sticks, double sided tape, and elastic bands

Hardware and Software Requirements:

- Any PC or Mac computer that can run Google Meets (with webcam, mic, and USB port)
 - o iPads are not compatible. Chromebooks may experience technical difficulties.
- Link to software used: https://makecode.microbit.org/
 - o Chrome is the recommended browser for uploading code onto the micro:bit



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Safety Information:

- This product contains **small and sharp parts**. Do not swallow or scratch to avoid injury
- Some parts will rotate or move when they work. Do not touch them to avoid being bruised or scratched and to avoid damaging internal components
- Use the parts in the kit in accordance with each lesson. If you do not know how to use or wire a part, **ask an instructor** before connecting it to any source of power (e.g. batteries).
- Store the kit and all parts in a dry place away from direct sunlight
- Unplug and turn off all power when not in use

Class Rules:

--- Before the first class ---

- Sign up for the Google Classroom at least one day before the first class.
- Your Classroom code is available through a PDF titled "Household Confirmation Letter".
 The meeting links will be posted in the Classroom.

--- To prepare for class ---



Prepare a **clean workspace.**Use newspaper or something similar to **protect surfaces**



Plug in your device or make sure it's **fully charged**



Arrive on time - after 5 minutes, you may not be able to be added as the instructor may be busy



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--- During class ---

• You can turn off your video if you are not sharing something with others.



Raise your hand to indicate to the instructor that you have a question



Please use the **chat** only for **relevant discussion**



Mute your microphone when you are not speaking to the class or instructor

• For the first class, the instructors will spend time making sure everyone is comfortable and that the equipment is working.

--- After class ---

- Students can ask questions to their instructor, communicate with other students, receive updates, and links to online resources & bonus projects through the Google Classroom.
- If there is a planned absence, please notify us by emailing: virtual@thesteamproject.ca
 - For missed classes, resources will be available through Google Classroom.

Sincerely, The STEAM Project Family