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Dear Parents,

We are excited to be able to provide your child the opportunity to participate in the STARBASE Louisiana program this year. Although the current situation prevents us from being able to provide the full 25 hour STARBASE experience on Barksdale Air Force Base, we are able to do a mini-session at your child's school. We would like to give you some background information about this program and let you know about some of the wonderful opportunities that await your child.

STARBASE Louisiana is a science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) center located on Barksdale Air Force Base. We are one of 69 STARBASE programs in the country and have served over 37,000 students in the Shreveport/Bossier area over the past 21 years. STARBASE Louisiana one of only five Level 3 Department of Defense STARBASE sites and is proudly sponsored by the 307th Wing of the Air Force Reserve Command and the 2nd Bomb Wing of the United States Air Force.

Each class will participate in project-based, hands-on learning, emphasizing STEM to solve real world problems. Throughout the STARBASE experience we will encourage your child to investigate and search for solutions in activities designed to allow them to take risks, experience failures and successes, and work through problems in a supportive, team-centered environment. The goal is to help your child experience growth as STEM experts, to better prepare them for careers and opportunities in their future.

You can also log in to our website at www.starbasela.org and see what your child did that day as well as get some ideas for further investigations that can be completed as a family! Please feel free to visit our national STARBASE website at www.starbasedod.org. We also invite you to check us out on Facebook at www.facebook.com/StarbaseLA.

Again, we are honored to work with your child!

Respectfully,

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