Lockheed Martin Sponsors Dr. Kathryn Clark, NASA Chief Scientist, To Visit Schools, Address Community On The Importance Of Math And Science Education

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WHAT: On Thursday, February 1, Lockheed Martin Missiles and Fire Control
- Dallas will host a day-long series of events to advance math and
science technology in the various facets of the Dallas community.
Dr. Kathryn Clark, NASA's chief scientist for Human Exploration &
Development of Space Enterprise, will visit two local schools;
deliver a presentation on Space Day -- a national math and science
education program; and address an audience at the Women's Museum,
an Institute for the Future, to stress the importance of math and
science education.

WHEN: The media is welcome to attend any activity on Dr. Kathryn Clark's itinerary:

8:15 a.m. -- Address Academy for Math, Science and Engineering students at South Grand Prairie High School in the school's planetarium. The school is located at 301 W. Warrior Trail.

10:15 a.m. -- Clark will address 5th and 6th grade students at Amelia Earhart Elementary. Some of them will be traveling to NASA's Johnson Space Center in Houston for a day-long trip this spring. The school is located at 3531 North Westmoreland Rd. in west Dallas.

11:30 a.m. -- Clark will present a program to Dallas community leaders on Space Day, a national math and science program that aims to motivate 4th, 5th and 6th grade students to pursue careers in math and science. The lunch will be held at The Science Place at Fair Park.

5 p.m. -- Lockheed Martin, the Women's Center of Dallas and the Women's Museum, an Institute for the Future, will host a reception and presentation by Dr. Clark on her career as the first woman Chief Scientist for the International Space Station; motivating girls to become interested in math and science; and the importance of women serving as role models. The event will be held at the Women's Museum, an Institute for the Future, 3800 Parry Ave. at Fair Park.

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- -- The importance of inspiring students to pursue math and science. Space exploration is an excellent theme to excite and inspire kids in science, math, and technology education.
- -- The critical need for girls to be become interested in math and science; the strong women's community in Dallas and their desire to make this happen through education, mentoring and programs targeted at girls that are at-risk.
- -- Space Day -- May, 3, 2001 -- a national educational program that provides online and classroom activities including a Design Challenge, Cyber Space Day webcast, a website: spaceday.com and, finally, a major event at the Smithsonian's National Air And Space Museum on May 3rd.
- -- The International Space Station, its Laboratory and how the Design Challenge aspect of Space Day is "challenging" students to tackle the

real problems facing space travel today and in the future.

Kathryn Clark is available for interviews by appointment. Please call Cheryl Amerine at (972) 603-1157 to schedule.

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