



TEAMS CONNECT WITH eBADGES!

You may have seen electronic badges, or eBadges - small images or symbols that can be earned and displayed online representing accomplishments, interests or participation status. On the Mission X website, they are a visual way for participants to see their team's progress, as well as other teams and countries' challenge status. The eBadge system has been designed to encourage students to reach their challenge goals and master activity skills.

Team leaders should help make students aware of badge-earning opportunities as motivation to get involved. Ask your team, "Did you know we can earn a badge for that?" Introduce the eBadges to your students as fun "add-ons" to help get them engaged in the challenge.

So how can a team earn eBadges during the Mission X: Train Like an Astronaut challenge?

eBadges are available for country participation, team participation in physical and educational activities, and various other Mission X associated events. There are two levels of eBadges available on the Mission X website - Country and Team.

COUNTRY LEVEL

Active Mission X countries can earn badges based on years of participation and other "extra-curricular" activities associated with the Mission X: Train Like an Astronaut international fitness challenge. Country participation eBadges will be displayed near the top of the individual country page.

Country Participation eBadges

Each country will receive a participation badge for every year that country actively participates in the Mission X: International Fitness Challenge. A gold star next to the year indicates the starting year for that country.



Pilot Year (2011) Participation eBadge

In the beginning, a small group of countries came together to learn and explore the excitement of the Mission X: Train Like an Astronaut international fitness challenge. These teams received a special "Pilot" year participation badge.



Multi-Year (2012-2014) Participation eBadge

As the list of participants continues to grow, recognition has gone to countries that have been with the Mission X: Train Like an Astronaut international fitness challenge for 3 consecutive years. These teams will receive a special “Multi-Year” participation badge. We will have a different multi-year badge for 2015-2017.



TEAM LEVEL

Team participation badges will be associated with each Team Lead’s website account. When a milestone is met, the eBadge will be displayed on the Team Lead “signature”. The Mission X community will see the team eBadges on the Mission X: Train Like an Astronaut blog.

Physical Activity eBadges

As physical activities are completed, the Team Lead should submit a point report. For every 2 physical activities completed (point reports submitted), your team will receive 1 physical activity eBadge. Set a goal with your team and try to collect the eBadges throughout the challenge so students and other international teams can see the team’s progress.



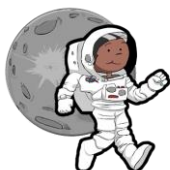
Science eBadges

As educational activities are completed, the Team Lead should submit a point report. For every educational activity completed (point report submitted), your team will receive 1 science eBadge. Set a goal with your team and try to increase their knowledge of the science behind health and nutrition.



Astro Charlie Explores eBadge

Fit Kid Astro Charlie loves to explore around the world and out in space. If Astro Charlie is spotted in a unique team or country landmark setting, the team will receive the Astro Charlie Explores eBadge. Post the pictures or video of your team with Astro Charlie on the blog. The Astro Charlie eBadge will show on the website once the next blog is posted for your team. Let’s take him on new and exciting adventures!



Level eBadges

Complete 5 Level 1 activities, the team will receive a Level 1 eBadge.



Complete 5 Level 2 activities, the team will receive a Level 2 eBadge.



When completing Circuit Training (CT) 1 or CT 2, the team will receive a Level 3 eBadge.

