

Discover STEM in a Reduced Sensory Environment

Space Center Houston proudly announces this special opportunity for people of all ages with conditions such as autism spectrum and sensory processing disorders. Learn about science and space exploration in a safe and accepting environment.



A welcoming atmosphere to explore space

Science and space exploration learning is for everyone. Our nonprofit organization aims to inspire people to explore science, technology, engineering and math education and careers. Become part of the NASA mission to explore space!

In order to provide a more accepting and comfortable setting for our guests we will modify our lighting, music and sound effects for these special events. Because some have strict, special dietary needs, families will be allowed to bring their own snacks, but our Zero-G Diner will be open and can accommodate many dietary restrictions.

Guests are welcome to bring sensory-soothing equipment such as sound-cancelling headphones, sunglasses, Irlen glasses, pressure suits, favorite toys and blankets.

Hands-on science without large crowds

Visitors can participate in special experiential educational activities operated by instructors who are trained to accommodate guests with sensory sensitivities. We also have a designated quiet room. A limited number of tickets are available for these events.

Guests will enjoy *The Real Thing*.

- An amazing collection of spacesuits, including one that went to the Moon in Astronaut Gallery
- The NASA 905 shuttle carrier aircraft topped by the shuttle replica Independence
- Touching a piece of Mars and the challenge of reaching the red planet in Mission Mars
- Experiential educational activities
- Starship Gallery with three flown spacecraft and a Moon rock you can touch
- Zero-G Diner
- SpaceTrader gift shop

Please note that some displays and activities will be turned off due to high sensory levels. For a complete list, visit spacecenter.org/sensory

Ticket pricing

- Only \$15.95. Children three years and younger are free.

Sensory and autism accessibility

Did you know that Space Center Houston is a Certified Autism Center?

We have resources available to those with autism and sensory sensitivities.



Sensory backpacks that include sound-reduction headphones, sunglasses, fidgets, books and guides are available at the Guest Services Desk, as well as various Sensory Guides provided by the International Board of Credentialing and Continuing Education Standards. A quiet room is available upon request.

Contact us now!

To register, contact Reservations at +1 281-283-4755 or visit spacecenter.org/sensory. For more information about the program and accessibility options, contact accessibility@spacecenter.org