## Visiting Educator Profile





## Pamela Whiffen

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## Bio

For the last 16 years Pamela Whiffen has been a Gifted Specialist and Curriculum Designer. She has also been deeply involved in a wide range of NASA's national education and public outreach programs. These include: conducting teacher professional development as a NASA Educator Ambassador, a MESSENGER Fellow, a GRACE Fellow, and a Beyond the Solar System Fellow for the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics; serving as a presenter for the National Science Digital Library; and conducting presentations as a Solar System Ambassador, and as a National Space Biomedical Research Institute Fellow. She has delivered presentations at local, state, regional, national, and international venues. She has also field-tested and authored educational materials in space science, engineering, and social studies. At the local level in Arizona, she is the academic lead for a multi-year NSF/WEA grantfunded program aimed specifically at increasing the involvement of girls and underrepresented minorities in math and science. Pamela has multiple undergraduate degrees, a Masters in Secondary Education with an emphasis on science education, and a passion for sharing the wonders of space science.

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