

The Challenger Kids Earth Science Forum

www.challengerkids.org

The Challenger Center site includes links to each of the Earth Science Challenge lessons, to all of the posted student journals.

How to register for the forum

1. On the main page, www.challengerkids.org click Register.
2. Fill out the registration form with student first name (or names if it is a team of students) please note that only first names will be used on the site). We need the teacher's full name (first and last), email, grade level, school information, and the name of your local Challenger Learning Center.
3. Please create your own username and password.
4. Please download, print and have the student's parents sign the Media Release form. If you have multiple students on a team, take all the forms and scan them as one pdf. Send it to challengerkids@challenger.org when you register.
5. Once the Challenger Center has confirmed the registration you will get a confirmation email.
6. Students can log on to the Challenger Kids Earth Science Forum and then choose Journal to upload their photos, journal text and any videos they create using the username and password you created for them.

How to post a journal

1. Log in to your account using your username and password.
2. Click on the Student Journals tab at the top of the page.
3. Click on the title of the correct Forum for your journal entry.
4. Once in the Forum, click on NEW THREAD button to upload your journal.
5. A new page will appear with a submission form for your comparisons and predictions.
6. Create a posting for your Journal with your analysis and prediction. Don't forget to upload your photos! NOTE: If you have two images, attach one to each attachment field. Only .jpgs and .gifs are allowed.
7. If you have created a video entry, you can upload it by attaching to the second field only, "Select file to attach". The first field will not accept video files. Only .movs and .wmvs are allowed. You can also zip all your images and/or videos into one zip file and submit it in the second field.
8. Click Submit when you have attached all your files. A Challenger Center teacher will review and post your journal in a few days.

How to comment on a journal

1. Log in to your account using your username and password.
2. Click on the Student Journals tab at the top of the page
3. Click on one of the Forums, find an entry of interest and read it carefully looking at the images.
4. Click on Reply and type in your comment. You can attach an image of your own for comparison.
5. Check your spelling and then click Submit, it will be posted after a Challenger teacher reviews it.