Challenger Learning Center Transcription

Words on screen: Challenger Learning Center logo

Speaker: Stacey Shrewsbury, Lead Flight Director

"When it comes to running a Challenger Learning Center, our mission is to inspire, to explore, and to learn. What we want to do with the students coming to the Challenger Learning Center is give them an opportunity to be inspired. If they can come in here and say, "Wow, this is really fun. I really learned something today," then hopefully, that will spark their interest to go back to school and to continue the exploring and continue the learning."

Action: Students in real-world work style technical learning lab, hands raised, and interacting.

Speaker: Jill Elston, 5th Grade Teacher

"With the big emphasis on Common Core now, the higher level thinking skills are crucial, and that's really what it's all about here, whether it is the science that goes with it, the math, the reading, the research skills, the cooperation -- it's all about problem-solving. and that's what the kids get out of it."

Action: Students in classroom and in learning teams

Speaker: Andrew, Student

"At the Challenger Learning Center, we learn a bunch of critical thinking skills, like not just, "Oh, hey, listen to the instructor, do what she tells us to do," but more like where the instructor pushes you out there, just lets you just do whatever you want and think it through your own way."

Action: Students learning at computer work stations

Speaker: Dave Wear, 6th Grade Teacher

"Technology is always changing. It's always evolving, it's always moving, and it's tough on our youth today, but because of the Challenger Learning Center, it's easy to interact and bring that together to a meaningful purpose, so our students and our youth can thrive in this technology age."

Action: Students in various learning modes and in classroom

Speaker: Stacey Shrewsbury

"When it comes to educating our students today, there's a big component where students want to know why they're learning what they're learning, and being graded on a test, on having a unit project doesn't quite meet the standards of what the kids want to have as relevancy and importance to them in the classroom. And so, when they come to a Challenger Learning Center, it is relevant because they're doing the work. So they're taking a classroom experience, all the curriculum, all the learning that they've been doing, and they're applying it in a real hands-on environment."
**Action:** Students performing lab experiments

**Speaker:** Valerie, Student

"The coolest part of the Challenger Learning Center is getting to work in teams. Since I've been here, I've really improved on my team-building skills."

**Speaker:** Stacey Shrewsbury

"We always tell our students, when you're finished the mission here, you're not done learning. You need to go back to school and continue to learn everything you can, and hopefully, by coming to the Challenger Learning Center, they're inspired to do that."

**Images on screen:** Students in various classroom and team settings; Challenger Learning Center logo.