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A Disruptive Innovation in School, University, IoT, and Space

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# CubeSat Workshop

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### T+0 xChips

XinaBox originally developed as a tool to encourage STEM learning in High Schools and University freshman years.

### **T+7** ThinSat

A nano satellite program originally developed by Prof. Bob Twiggs, funded by Virginia Space to give High Schools access to space with a focus on broader STEM learning and engagement.

T+15 Thank You



## 2015-2016 Adopting MSU program:



#### SPACEprep

One day JiggyBot building exercises using trucks converted to mobile labs.



#### SPACEtrek

One week boot camp building Cricket Sats, assisted by Craft Academy Director Jen Carter and MSU Space Centers Prof. Ben Malphrus



#### Sat Building Workshops

Designing payloads for a TubeSat mission assisted by local university students.



## Next Iteration:

Creating a solution **inexpensive** and **easy** enough **for high school students**, yet **robust** and **sophisticated** enough to build a **satellite**...



Then...

# 2016 Launch of XinaBox

### **Philosophy:**

Creating a modular technology, which allows high school students to build satellites without requirement of hardware knowledge, nor lab equipment!

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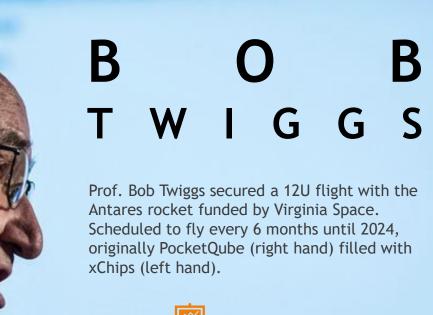


Space Based

Low TCO

Modular







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Phase 1: Class room

Phase 2: HAB

Phase 3: Orbit





2017 Delivery of 100 Class Kits 7900 xChips Sensors, Power Modules, USB Interfaxe, Core Modules, Displays...



Phase 1a: 10 x Weather station kits



**Phase 1b:** 2 x Balloon Projects w/Ground Station

### 2018 November NASA/SETI Andes



A mission to test the UVA/UVB xChip to search for life in the Andes Mountains as an analog to life on Mars 3.5 billion years ago.

> Next mission: xChips on the Moon

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Phase 3 - Satellites in Orbit

### ThinSats launched April 17, 2019 on a Antares rocket to the ISS

Launch

### 63 ThinSats

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With a choice of a standard xChips configuration, or a Twiggs SpaceLab analogue prototype board, or your own fully developed payload.

### 40+ ThinSats with xChips

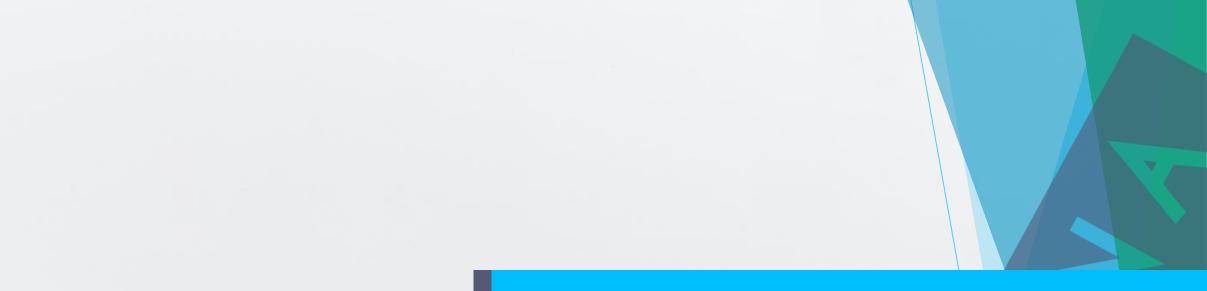
A inaugural set of sensors and standard CPU, IMU, 5 x frame temperature sensor, IR temperature, UVA/UVB and Ambient light.

#### Result: 1200+ records collecte

Data collected from all ThinSats comes to 1200+ records with datapoint from both payload sensors and standard ThinSat sensors.

### Next mission: NG-13 2020, April

For this first mission, a one year pause is been implemented in order to give amble time to fix issues learned from NG-11. After that, every 6 months.

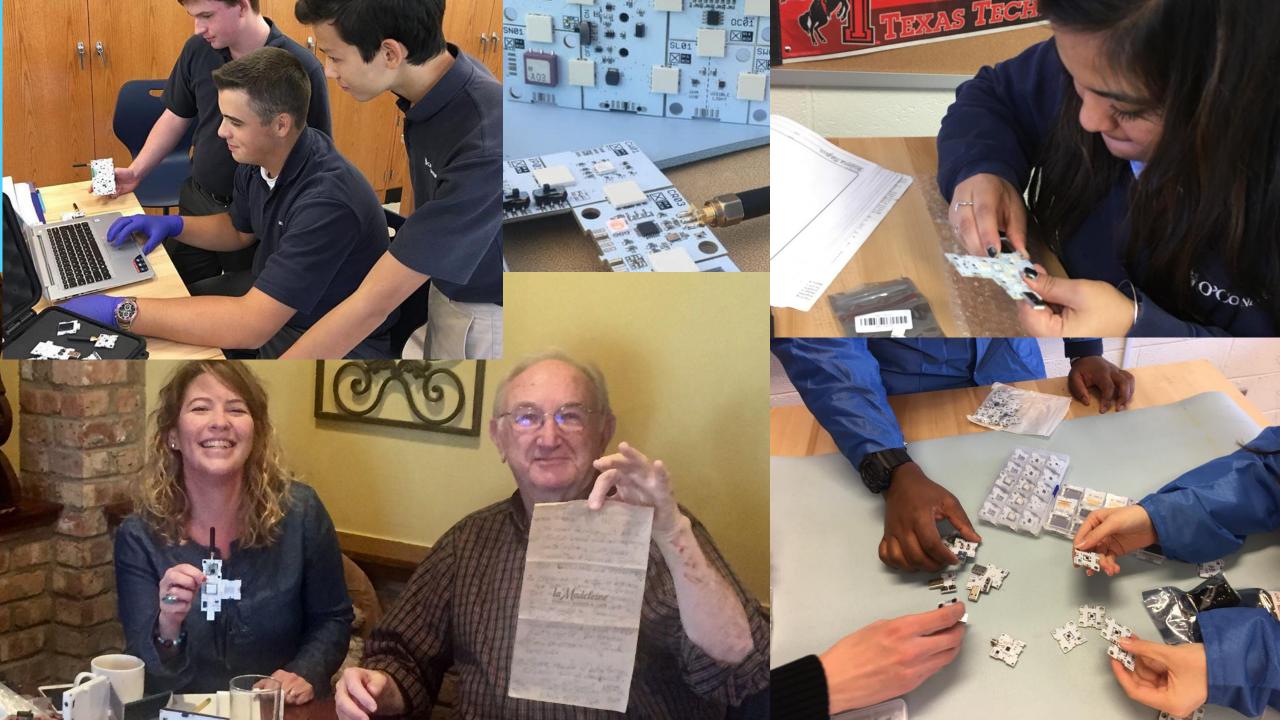


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## NG-11 ThinSat Launch

DJOSpaceToast from Bishop O'Connell High School

Student Mission with Prof. Bob Twiggs on Launch Day April, 17 4:46 EST







