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Donald G. James is responsible for developing and implementing NASA's education programs that strengthen student involvement and public awareness about its scientific goals and missions. In this role, he leads the agency in inspiring interest in science, technology, engineering and mathematics, or STEM, through NASA's unique mission, workforce, facilities, research and innovations.

Prior to his appointment, James was the director of the Strategic Communications and Education Directorate at NASA's Ames Research Center in Mountain View, California. In this capacity, he oversaw the operations of all communications, education and public outreach functions for the center and supported initiatives to engage a variety of internal and external audiences.

James began his NASA career in 1982 as a Presidential Management Intern at the Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Maryland. During more than 30 years at the agency, he has served in numerous capacities, including public affairs, human capital management and strategic communications. In 2002-2003 he was the senior advisor and executive officer for the NASA Education Enterprise at NASA Headquarters.