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Hello, I'm NASA astronaut Jeanette Epps and I'm very excited about launching from the

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United States again. When I go out to talk to students, a lot of them don't know that

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the space program is still going on here in the United States, so when they see the US

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launching American vehicles, that will reinvigorate our interest in STEM and hopefully get more students

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students involved and excited about space exploration again.

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To go to space we need hardware, vehicles and launch pads. NASA's Commercial Crew Program

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selected American companies who are putting all those pieces together so we can go fly,

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lifting off on missions to the International Space Station from right here in the United

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States and returning home.

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The spaceship's NASA's Commercial Crew Program will be use to take astronauts to

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the International Space Station are keys to the doorway of space.

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American industry has developed innovative  
crew transportation systems that advance technology