## PRINCE OF PEACE SmartLab®

## **WEEK 4 FACE MASK**

Your Challenge: Use materials found in your house to design a protective face mask or shield.

**Background:** Hospitals across the world are low on protective gear like face masks and shields. People, just like you, are designing and making these items for healthcare professionals to use. **Materials Needed:** A variety of household items like: rubber bands; elastic bands; double-sided tape; foam strips; felt; sheet protectors or plastic report covers; any kind of hard plastic sheeting for face shields; vacuum bags; cloth diapers; cotton; dish towels; pillowcases; napkins; screen (extra from a screen door); duct tape; fabric, etc.

**Considerations:** As you design the mask or shield, consider these questions:

- 1. Will the mask protect the wearer from germs in the air?
- 2. Is it comfortable?
- 3. Does the mask create a seal to prevent particles from getting inside?
- 4. Is it easy to replicate (or make over and over again)?

