CFHT by the numbers

30 years old
4 meter mirror
3 main instruments
5 large surveys
Lots of pretty pictures
Planets, planets and more planets

Much astronomy education focuses on planets.

Why?
Planet, planets and more planets

- It's familiar
  - for students
  - for parents
  - for educators
  - for the people that write standards
Planets, planets and more planets
Everything else?

- Stars → Iffy
- Milky Way → Huge gap
- Other galaxies → Slightly improving
Common thread?

Images
The need for context
CFHT and galaxies

- Large surveys: Andromeda, Virgo, Legacy, MAPPS, MI MES
- Connect what we see in other galaxies with our own
CFHT and galaxies

- CFHT Deep Field
Websites

- www.cfht.hawaii.edu
- http://www.thegamecrafter.com/games/the-great-star-race