Campaign Development Timeline



Idea! Now, iterate*	Two Months	One Month	One Week	Launch
CAMPAIGN →	Planning ↓	Development ↓	Pre-Production ↓	Launch ↓
KICKSTARTER PAGE Brainstorm initial goals and rewards Research past Kickstarter projects for presentation and community response	KICKSTARTER PAGE Set up Kickstarter account Draft campaign page outline Storyboard your video Develop graphics and photo assets	KICKSTARTER PAGE Shoot and edit your video Revise and finalize your campaign draft Finalize photographs for the campaign Build out rewards and funding goals based on quotes from suppliers	KICKSTARTER PAGE Share the campaign with friends for feedback Submit the project 5 days before launch Link your Google Analytics account Create a launch day plan Double check your shipping costs	KICKSTARTER PAGE Soft launch the campaign to family, friends, and early supporters End the day with an update to backers
COMMUNITY & OUTREACH Work on mailing list & social media presence Document your progress with photos and begin community outreach	COMMUNITY & OUTREACH Work on mailing list & social media presence Conduct PR research Identify and reach out to influencers Document your progress with photos video & share	COMMUNITY & OUTREACH Continue building mailing list and social media presence Build and send press kit to journalists Document your progress & share	COMMUNITY & OUTREACH Outline your first four campaign updates Warm up email list announcing the launch Follow up with journalists Document your progress & share	COMMUNITY & OUTREACH Update your website to drive traffic to the campaign Announce launch to your mailing list(s) Share your project across social media channels Plan to have press synchronize with your launch
CAMPAIGN RESOURCES →				
 Creator Handbook Kickstarter Rules 96 Reward Ideas Building a list Featured Kickstarter Projects On Facebook, Twitter & Instagram 	Start! Prototypes One Sheet Creator Basics Videos, Design Technology Creator Hangouts, Gramovox Team	Creating a Good Video How to Get Featured On Kickstarter KickstarterTips Campus	Google Analytics & Kickstarter 21 Tips Post Kickstarter Spotlight Launch Day Communications Plan	Kickstarter Blog, The Importance of Updates Kickstarter Spotlight
PROJECT →				
Build a team R&D Build an initial proof of concept Prototype Hardware & Software Feedback from friends and family	Finalize looks like and works like prototypes Begin working towards an engineering prototype to test with factories and suppliers Finalize your bill of materials (BOM) Request quotes from key suppliers	Receive updated quotes from key suppliers Update projected, fixed and flexible costs as necessary, and review overall cost of goods sold (COGS) Reassess your production timeline based on your manufacturer's feedback Begin researching fulfillment logistics partners	Plan a post-campaign landing page for e-commerce & community outreach Continue incorporating feedback on your design from community members Research backup partners for your key suppliers Double check your COGS for missing costs	Monitor number of backers and cap reward tiers where necessary to keep production on schedule and on budget. Confirm fulfillment partners and solidify logistics plans Continue incorporating feedback on your design from community members
PROJECT RESOURCES →				
Bolt's Illustrated Guide To Hardware Dev Dragon Innovation Blog Audience Development Panel Discussion Building A Business Panel Discussion	Campus, Selecting Your Manufacturer Dragon Innovation, Request For Quote Process Dragon BOM Tool Studio Neat, How To Kickstarter	Kickstarter Resources Page Dragon Innovation Design For Manufacturing Dragon Innovation, Chinese New Year	Creating a Quality Plan	•Ten Creators, One Question: What's Your Shipping Advice?

*Over a time period of 8-12+ months.