

Good News! February – March 2014

2/21/14 **Engineering Stingrays with a Heart**

Two of our teachers, Matt Williams and Aseema Sharma coordinated our Engineering Career Day, which was held on February 21st. Students on the team were instructed to construct a ping-pong ball launcher. Students on the team included SiYuan Wu, Arya Khalesi, Kyle See, and Zach Joswick. The fair was coordinated by the US Army Corps of Engineers.

The team won Honorable Mention for most creative engineering design and they were also noted as the most humble and humanitarian group because they helped another group fix their machine.

2/25/14 **SJRWMD 20143 STEM Award Recipient**

One of our students, Tiffany Nelson, was recently selected as the St. Johns River Water Management District's 2014 STEM Award Recipient. Tiffany wrote an essay about "Problems and Solution to Algae Blooms".

Tiffany was selected out of entries from all across Northeast Florida. Her selection as the award recipient entitles her to a luncheon and awards reception at the Water Management District's headquarters in Palatka as well as a one-on-one meet and greet with the experts and a tour of their campus. The award presentation will occur on Tuesday, April 8th, 2014



3/1/14 **Stingrays Participate in the Perry Outreach Program**

Kate Gaines and Sara-Marie Saliba were selected to participate in the Perry Outreach Program in Jacksonville FL at the Mayo Clinic Hospital.

This is a highly selective program that allows young women interested in orthopedics and engineering to participate in "mock surgical" exercises and attend lectures from local women surgeons and engineers.



3/1/14 **Pizzazz in Their Steps**

ACHS Winter Color Guard completed in the Florida Federation of Color Guards Circuit Competition at the University High School in Orlando. We are happy to announce the ACHS team came in 4th place at the competition. Congratulations!

3/1/14 **Making Historical Gains**

ACHS hosted the district History Fair on Mar 1st. During this active Saturday students made various presentation and we are honored to announce two ACHS Stingrays placed in their categories.

Olivia Rearick placed 3rd in the Individual Exhibit Category with her project entitled "Deaf President Now".

Jonathan Gonzalez placed 1st in the Individual Website Category with his project on the Atom Bomb. He will go on to represent Duval County at the State History Fair in Tallahassee at the beginning of May.

3/3/14 **Stingray Shows Her Artistic Side at the Public Library**

The Duval County Public Library held a Teen Art Contest last month. Students of all ages could express themselves in any artistic medium on any topic of their own choosing. ACHS Stingray, Samantha Cristol (pictured third from the left) chose photography depicting youth. She won a 2nd place certificate as well as option to exhibit more of her awesome work in the downtown library during the month of April.

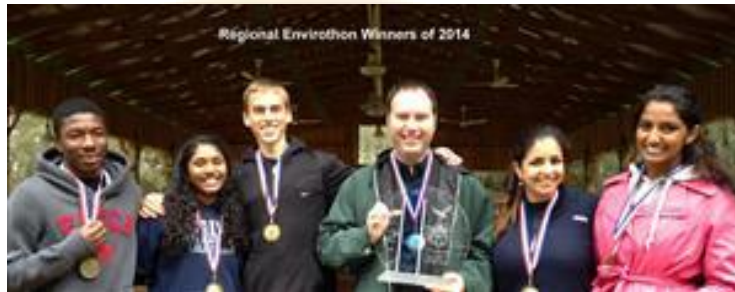


There's No Beating the ACHS Envirothon Teams

ACHS sent 7 teams to the regional Envirothon competition today at Diamond D Horse Ranch. They competed against 26 teams from across Northeast Florida and took 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th and 8th places!

The 1st place team (pictured) will go on to represent Duval County at the state competition in May.

Team members of the winning team include Dion Delgado, Zach Makovich, Leena Sanka, Shreya Mohan, and Kristen Mousa.



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Stingray Mukhtar wins National Silver Award

One of Atlantic Coast High School's students, Marah Mukhtar, recently took part in the Scholastic Art and Writing competition. Marah was a National Silver Award winner for her unique way of presenting a food product.



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Water is Life Mural to be Painted on Adventure Landing Wave Pool

After winning the "Water is Life" mural challenge competition last month, ACHS art students progressed onto another competition and recently took 1st place for their mural. The mural will be painted on the wave pool at Adventure Landing in Jacksonville Beach which is 80 feet long.



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Brain Brawl Winners

Congratulations to the Atlantic Coast JV Brain Brawl team for placing 2nd in the district in this year's competition. Team members are: Jimmy Henson, Michael O'Berry, Johnathan Shores, Tiffany Nelson, Aditi Mahabir, Karam Mukhtar, and John Aloszka. We are very proud of your accomplishment.