

## GSST NAMED TOP HIGH SCHOOL



The Governor's School for Science and Technology has once again been named to Virginia Living's Top High Schools and Colleges list. This list recognizes schools for excellence and innovation in five categories: Arts and Humanities; Science, Math and Technology; Performing Arts; Health and Medicine; and Capital Improvements.

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## CFA COMMUNITY RESOURCE FAIR



On November 13th, New Horizons' Center for Autism (CFA) hosted a **Community Resource Fair** at the Woodside Lane campus. Several CFA students, siblings, and parents attended the night of information and

fun. Community organizations included: Therapeutic Recreation, Special Olympics, SMART-One, TOP Soccer, Project Lifesaver, Challenger Baseball, and Dream Catchers Therapeutic Horseback Riding. The fair came together under the direction of the Family-School Team, a group of staff and parent volunteers who provide opportunities for students with special needs to access community resources, develop friendships, and have fun. These events are held on campus and in the community once per quarter.

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH DAY

On October 25th, New Horizons' Woodside Lane Career and Technical programs held their 3rd Annual **Community Outreach Day** to support charities and student honorariums. Students from each program performed services including haircuts, manicures, dog grooming, car washes, as well as fingerprinting. Several programs sold handmade products including garden benches, baked goods, and dog treats. This year, students raised \$1,965; the highest total yet!



## STUDENT FEATURE



Jaquan Outlaw, a 2012 Governor's School graduate from NNPS is a Langley Aerospace Research Student Scholars intern from the Rochester Institute of Technology. Jaquan is working in the Small Business Innovation and Research department at NASA Langley Research Center. [Click here](#) to read the full story.

## STUDENT TESTIMONIALS

*I currently work at Associates in Dermatology in Hampton as a Medical Assistant. I'm still 17, but thanks to our clinical experience and all of your effort, I was able to secure the job! I have worked my way up by being attentive, respectful and knowledgeable. I am even on the surgical team which allows me to gain experience in cosmetic procedures and procedures to remove cancerous tissues. Everybody is impressed at the amount of knowledge I have and I always owe it to you. This is just a big thanks to you for all the dedication you have to your students. I'm very thankful for the opportunity you have given me to excel so early in my life.*

*Shanise Harris, Former CTE student*

*Please allow me to add my name to the list of college students who are extremely grateful for the rigor of the curricula of GSST classes. Being challenged by GSST classes has allowed me to feel well-prepared for and confident in my coursework at U.Va. I am sure that this is the case for many GSST graduates, and that it will be the case for many more. I am confident that GSST will continue to flourish, and I am eager to watch the program grow over the next few years.*

*Kayla Holston, Former GSST student*

## BUSINESS FEATURE

On September 18th, the **Virginia Elks Association** (VEA) Hampton 366 and Newport News 315 donated 500 pair of safety glasses to New Horizons Regional Education Centers as part of the VEA Safety Glasses Program. This is the sixth consecutive year that the VEA has donated safety glasses to New Horizons! [Click here](#) to read about the VEA Safety Glasses Program.

## SPECIAL EDUCATION CENTER GROUNDBREAKING

On October 28th, New Horizons held a groundbreaking ceremony for a new 50,000 sq. ft. education center at its Woodside Lane campus. This new specialized education center, which is anticipated to open January 2016, is designed to provide a quality therapeutic and learning environment for up to 200 students from throughout the Peninsula enrolled in the New Horizons' Center for Autism High School program and the Newport Academy program serving students K-12 with emotional disabilities.

