

President's Leadership Program

This summer, freshman from the President's Leadership Program at Christopher Newport University (CNU) landscaped the front flower beds at New Horizon's Woodside Lane campus. The President's Leadership Program at CNU instills a sense of responsibility and civic duty and gives graduates the knowledge and confidence to engage as responsible leaders and citizens. They were an impressive group of students and the beds look beautiful!



Students: Andie Knox, Kayla Leyden, Nicolas Maxim, Julia Niedermaier, Michael Nonnemacker and Susan Patriquin with CNU Faculty Site Leader, Amy Baird.

Student Testimony



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Through my experience at GSST, I have learned more about myself as it has helped me define my interests for the future more clearly. I entered GSST with the general idea of wanting to do something relating to math, science, and technology, and I walk out of GSST with more narrowed goals and a more defined career path. Many aspects of GSST have helped identify who I am and who I will become, including the sophisticated teachings of the highly educated faculty, but I believe, personally for me, the mentorship program has helped me the most. Through the mentorship program, GSST set me up with a mentor working in my area of interest, and then helped me initiate a research project of my own. The mentorship project has helped my interest in environmental/marine science grow and flourish; not only that, but the project took me all over the nation as I had the chance to attend and win at various science fairs and symposiums. As I have continued to work as an intern at my mentorship site during the summer, I have recently had the chance to sit in a Ph.D. defense by one of the graduate students at that scientific institution. I was amazed by the similarities between the Ph.D. defense and the GSST students' presentations of their mentorship projects. That moment, I felt very grateful for the mentorship experience available at GSST and also felt confident to continue on my path of scientific discoveries.

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Integrative STEM Education

With the use of state ARRA funding, New Horizons' Governor's Academy for Innovation, Technology and Engineering (GAITE), provided a summer professional development workshop to a cohort of science, technology, and mathematics teachers and counselors in each of the six Peninsula school divisions. The workshop, which was held August 16th - 18th at New Horizons, was coordinated by the Virginia Space Consortium, and conducted by Patricia Watson from the Virginia Tech STEM Integration Education Program. The goal of the workshop was to continue to build STEM cohorts in each division and to better understand STEM, STEM Integrated Education, and best practices for use within the high school setting. Each participant conducted a pre-assessment survey, read articles, received the book "Meeting Standards through Integrated Curriculum", learned about GAITE career pathways, and participated in hands on approaches to integrating STEM education. Participant evaluations are in and they were incredible! During the Regional Professional Development Day scheduled for January 28, 2011, New Horizons will bring these cohorts back together to discuss how they implemented the strategies they learned into their curriculum or counseling services.



Business Feature

Special thanks to Mrs. Sybil Wheatley and W. M. Jordan Company for providing the expertise and resources to install the tracks required to hang privacy curtains in the Medical Lab at the Woodside Lane campus. The tracks and curtains created seven cubicles that allow students to practice medical procedures in an environment that simulates the actual workplace. The cubicles enhance the practical application of students in meeting the competencies in privacy and confidentiality. This installation also assisted greatly with the continuing accreditation for the Certified Nursing Assistant and Medical Assistant programs at Woodside Lane.

