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Shelburne Middle School Students Complete STEAM 2014

Shelburne Middle School 8th grader, Calvin Siemers, and his brother, rising 6th grader Wesley Siemers both participated in and successfully completed Summer STEAM 2014. Summer STEAM is the signature summer offering of Virginia Science Technology Engineering and Applied Mathematics Academy and is intended to inspire and expose rising 6th - 8th graders from across the Commonwealth of Virginia to STEAM content, applied learning, and leadership development.

Of the 300 students who competed to attend Summer STEAM 2014, only 131 were invited to study math reasoning, encryption, material science, physics, math modeling, or entrepreneurship. In addition to participating in the academy, Calvin and Wesley both participated in leadership seminars, interactive sessions with STEAM professionals, field trips to museums and excavation sites, and wellness and recreation opportunities. Shelburne Middle School Principal, Robert Craft said, “We are proud of Wesley and Calvin for being selected to attend this program, and are happy that they both completed it successfully. This dovetails nicely with our new STEM program at Shelburne as we strive to help students prepare for careers in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math.”



Calvin Siemers, Grade 8



Wesley Siemers, Grade 6