

Students Attend ExxonMobil Bernard Harris Summer Science Camp at SWOSU

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Forty-seven middle school students from around Oklahoma chose to experience a new type of summer vacation this year by attending the ExxonMobil Bernard Harris Summer Science Camp, hosted by Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford.

The two-week camp, which ended July 1, was one of only 25 held across the United States and gave selected students the unique opportunity to learn more about science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) while also experiencing life on a college campus. The camp brought together the sixth, seventh and eighth graders for an unforgettable experience.

The residential camp provided students with hands-on experiments, individual and team projects, field excursions, inspiring role models and innovative programs designed to encourage continued engagement in math and science courses in school. The camp also focused on developing leadership, communication and teamwork skills. The ultimate goal of the program is to raise students' awareness of career possibilities in STEM-related fields. Wayne Trail serves as the director of the SWOSU camp.

A selection committee helped identify students who would most benefit from the expense-paid camp as participants.

Attending were:

- CLINTON—An'Tleshia Harper;
- CORDELL—Chase Bryan;
- DAVIDSON—Logan Coleman;
- DEL CITY—Chase Holland;
- EDMOND—Euresia Brown; Haotia Chen, Dong Kim, Cameron Lyons;
- EL RENO—Jonathan Kozak, Truman Powell, Jordan Ronspiez, Allen Sioux, Morgan Warner, Mariah Whiteman;
- ELK CITY—Marcy Schmitz;
- HINTON—Madison Scott;
- KINGFISHER—Lane Holt;
- LAWTON—Nickolas Pagan, Patrick Pagan;
- LOOKEBA-SICKLES—Mercedes Eskind, Luis Rico;
- MIDWEST CITY—Ashlee Anderson;
- MOUNTAIN PARK—Andy Coffey;
- MUSTANG—Sawyer Gepford;
- NORMAN—Ryan Paine;
- OKLAHOMA CITY—Camron Alexander, Jonathan Becker, Khadijah Goldsby, Adaje' Martin, Elizabeth Nguyen; Kaitlyn Smith, Leeaunna Smith, Jessica Tran, Koby Truong, Mackenzie VanWinkle,
- OWASSO—Derek Pereira;

- ROLAND—McKenzie Gladney;
- SENTINEL—Kaylee Baker;
- STILLWATER—Taryn Gilbert, Beau Henneha;
- TALOGA—Mari Collier;
- WEATHERFORD—Connor Albrightson, Michael Asante, Emily Burgess, Natalie Meyer;
- YUKON—Chesney Keeny, Tucker Knight.