

Oak Canyon Jr. High Students Attend 2013 National TSA Conference in Orlando, Florida

Eleven students from Oak Canyon Jr. High attended the National Technology Student Association (TSA) conference in Orlando, Florida June 27-July 2. They enjoyed the flight to Florida, and for some it was their first time on a plane. They enjoyed a day at Universal Studio amusement park. Many of the students had a hard time with the humidity but enjoyed everything otherwise.

The main reason for the trip was to compete at the national level in various technology competitions. Oak Canyon students participated with 5,000 others at the conference. They competed in 16 of the 32 Middle/Jr. High School contests. These included: Dragster Design, Engineering Structure, Flight, Go Green Manufacturing, Graphic Design, Environmental Focus, Problem Solving, Digital Photography, Systems Control Technology, Technical Design, Essays on Technology, Technology Bowl, Techno Talk, Prepared Speech, Leadership Strategies, and Community Service Video.

Nathan Craddock, Jacob Liddle, and Sean Shurtleff placed 1st in Systems Control Technology. Jacob Liddle, Sean Shurtleff and Morgan Maxfield placed 5th in Technolgy Bowl, Jacob Liddle placed 5th and Colin Gubler 10th in Tech Bowl written, Melissa Longhurst and Katelyn Johnson placed 7th in Techno Talk. Mr. Terry Hunter is the Technology teacher and TSA advisor at Oak Canyon. He appreciates the many hours of dedicated preparation that these students and their parents put in to prepare for this great adventure!



Oak Canyon TSA participants: L to R: Front row: Katelyn Johnson, Nathan Craddock, Andrew Newns, Bradie Anderson, Melissa Longhurst, Aubrey Wheelright. Back row: Matt Scribner, Morgan Maxfield, Sean Shurtleff, Colin Gubler, Jacob Liddle.