

# Buccaneer Bulletin



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## NASA's Orion Launch

This semester, FSWC's National Honor Society chapter attempted a new rewards system for those freshmen and sophomore students who received straight A's. At the end of the first quarter, all students who received straight A's were invited to watch NASA's launch of Orion, a newly developed space craft. This was a unique opportunity as these launches become a part of history and help us to learn more about our incredible universe. The launch was scheduled to take place on December 4, 2014 at 7:30 a.m. in Cape Canaveral, Florida. Students gathered in the school's cafeteria at 10:00 on December

3rd for a pizza party and a movie before their departure at 12:45. They planned to watch the launch from Space View Park, giving them an excellent view; however, the launch was initially delayed because of strong winds and turbulent weather conditions. The launch continued to be delayed and at 9:45 they announced that the launch would be postponed until the following day. Students boarded the bus and headed to Cracker Barrel for a quick pick me up before heading home, slightly disappointed. On December 5th, Orion was successfully launched at 7:30 a.m. Although students

were a little let down, it was still a fun trip and they got to miss a day of school. FSWC's National Honor Society looks forward to continuing this new rewards system every quarter because they believe receiving straight A's is a stellar achievement and one that deserves recognition.



Students wait anxiously for the launch of Orion, on a chilly morning in Cape Canaveral, Florida.

## FSWC MUN

FSWC's Model United Nations team has had a very busy first semester. In Late October, the team went to SUSMUN in Atlanta for FSWC's very first out of state trip( see picture right..) We are proud to announce that while in Atlanta, junior Montana Ruland received an award for most improved delegate. Prior to

FHSMUN Tampa Bay. In early December the club hosted a new fundraiser, Trivia Night, in order to be able to lower costs for their upcoming trips. They kicked off this semester with a trip to Gainesville for GatorMUN where students had the opportunity to participate in crisis committees, FSWC looks forward to concluding

their year with trips to Orlando and Miami, as well as hosting their second annual International Dinner Night, where they will serve food from countries all around the world. The event was a huge success last year and everyone can expect to leave happy and full again this year!

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### Points of Interest

- *NASA's Orion Launch*
- *FSWC MUN*
- *FSWC/LLI Tech Sessions*
- *FSW L.E.A.D.S.*

### Important Dates

- *January 5 — Return from Winter Break*
- *January 20 — FSWCHS Information Night #1*
- *January 30 - February 1 — GatorMUN*
- *January 30 — LLI Tech Session*
- *February 4 — FWCHS information Night #2*
- *February 19 — FSWCHS z*



FSWC's MUN team in Atlanta, GA.

## LLI Tech Sessions Are In Full Swing!

As the New Year began, FSWC's National Honor Society chapter quickly began working with the Lifelong Learning Institute, hereafter LLI, to assist those who haven't quite yet mastered how to use their fancy iPads, smartphones, or computers. FSWC and LLI had a trial tech session back in March that could not have been more successful. About eight students met in O-116 on the college campus to teach those who made an appointment with LLI whatever they needed to know about their gadgets and gizmos. Some questions were basic: how to send an email, how to attach a picture to a text message, etc. Some questions were more complicated: how to connect my Outlook to my computer, smartphone, and iPad so I can access them on all devices, how to sync my music from my computer to my phone, etc. Luckily, we have team members with all levels of

experience with technology who are always happy to help. FSWC is also excited to announce that we have assembled presentations to assist in creating Facebook or Twitter profiles. We will be sharing these at upcoming tech sessions and hope that they are helpful in teaching you how to be more connected with your friends and family. If you are interested in making an appointment at one of the upcoming tech sessions, contact Fran from LLI at (941)-637-3533 or by email at charlotte.lli@fsw.edu.



Joy Wright, secretary of NHS, poses with two women whom she helped figure out their iPads.



Senior Lauren Kosinski, NHS president, assists a client with her smart phone at the tech session held on January 30th. Smart phones are just one of the many devices that students at the tech session can help you with.

## FSW L.E.A.D.S.

FSW L.E.A.D.S is a new college-wide certified student leadership program in which guest leaders from around the community give speeches and seminars at FSW. The program's main objective is build leadership skills in our students while simultaneously stimulating engagement in the community both on and outside of campus. Mr. Gregory F. Burton, Sr. is a senior partner in TNG associates as well as a key role in FSW L.E.A.D.S. program. Burton is a former educator and broadcaster whose highly energetic personality allowed him to teach a wide range of topics to a wide array of students. He has trained students, teachers, administrators, executives, and others. Furthermore, he has lead youth diversity retreats, youth leadership programs, presented keynote speeches, and facilitated many youth business simulation workshops at schools and universities. Every time FSW L.E.A.D.S. meets, there is a central topic of the session that always correlates with leadership skills.

For example, some sessions might include guest senators speaking about the importance of leadership in the government whereas another session might include a guest speech from a doctor or a nurse who discusses the importance of leadership in the medical field. Each session, students leave with a better understanding of what it means to be a leader in the workforce and in the community. If the student attends a total of nine sessions, they are eligible to attend a graduation ceremony at the end of the year in which they are recognized for their commitment to striving to become a stronger leader. FSW is pleased with the success the program has had on their campus this far and looks forward to the growth of this program in the future.

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