

PCS recognizes top STEM students as Sunshine State Scholars

Three of the district's top students have been selected for the 2018 Sunshine State Scholars Program. The program recognizes the state's highest-achieving eleventh grade STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) scholars from each district. After receiving nominations from schools, a committee selected **William Kline of Lakewood High School, Caitlyn Coleman of Countryside High School, and Elizabeth Nguyen of Dixie Hollins High School** for this prestigious honor. The students will have the opportunity to join their peers from around the state at the 2018 Sunshine State Scholars program in Orlando on May 17-18, 2018, for an extraordinary two-day program. If one of Sunshine State Scholars is unable to attend, another top STEM student, **Benjamin Ly of St. Petersburg High School**, will have the opportunity to attend the program.

The Sunshine State Scholars program is made possible by a partnership between the Florida Education Foundation, the Division of Florida Colleges, the State University System of Florida and the Florida Department of Education. In addition to honoring the scholars and celebrating their accomplishments, the foundation invites representatives from Florida's colleges and universities to meet with the students and discuss career and postsecondary opportunities available in Florida. Learn more about the Sunshine State Scholars Program here: <http://www.fldoe.org/academics/sunscholars>