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WCF SUPPORTS EDGEWATER H.S. IN WORLDWIDE AEROSPACE COMPETITION

ORLANDO, Fla ... WORKFORCE CENTRAL FLORIDA (WCF) is awarding the Edgewater High School aerospace engineering club, Tempus, a \$3,400 award to assist in travel expenses to participate in the International Space Settlement Design Competition at the Johnson Space Center in Houston.

The club qualified as one of eight finalists from around the world to participate in the competition to be held this month. The 12-member group will compete against teams from countries such as Romania, Australia, Uruguay, India and Pakistan to design a space settlement on the moon. The team will use its imagination and intelligence to present its design to rocket scientists and engineers in front of an audience of 200-plus people.

“WORKFORCE CENTRAL FLORIDA is proud to sponsor this Edgewater High School club to represent Central Florida in an international competition related to science, technology, math and engineering (STEM),” said Gary Earl, president and chief executive officer of WCF. “Educating Central Florida youth for careers in STEM industries is a focus of our organization.”

“The prestige of the competition, goes without saying; the teams selected for the international finals are the most intelligent students from around the world,” said Sultana F. Ali, the founder of Tempus in 1996. “They have the ability to think critically, to understand difficult concepts in math and physics, and the commitment to leadership and teamwork to be able put together a project that will challenge every part of their thinking.”

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