

ACE Mentor News

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ACE Mentor Program of Maryland's Eastern Shore

ACE team projects in Easton and St. Michaels now underway!



Students from St. Michaels High School brainstorm ideas for this year's project.
l to r: Ricky Stacy, Griffin Ronning, Linda Seymour and Alec Chosta.



Tal Bone tests a gumdrop bridge project with Easton students, Chris Potosnak and Mehreen Siddiqui.



Jack Dempsey coaches SS Peter and Paul students, Dylan Peter and Will Weisman on their gumdrop bridge.

The ACE students have picked their teams and projects are now underway. There are a total of 26 students in the St. Michaels and Easton programs this year. Unique this year is the mix of students on each team. SS Peter and Paul students are now joining in with the other high school teams (see page 2 for a rundown of team members). The atmosphere at both schools is as supercharged as last year and enthusiasm among the students abounds. Helping with this are the extraordinary mentors who are coming to every session. They include new mentors, Jennifer Martella, Architect, and Daniel Bowen and Eric Milhollen from Willow Construction. Returning mentors include Mark Beck, Architect, Tal Bone from Easton Utilities, Lindsey Ellsworth from Whiting Turner, Katie Reedy from Barton Malow and of course our fearless leader, Jack Dempsey who makes sure everyone is on track and has plenty of cookies! Charlie Thornton and Glen Tipton have come in for special sessions and they are a great inspiration to the students.

Special thanks to all the people from the schools who have been so supportive of the ACE program this year:

Karen Salman, Talbot County Superintendent of Schools

Kelly Griffith, Principal, Easton HS

Gayle Secrist, School Manager, Easton HS

Greg Criniti, Science Teacher, Easton HS

Helga Einhorn, Principal, St. Michaels HS

Kevin Shafer, School Manager, St. Michaels HS

Rachel Willey, Guidance Counselor, St. Michaels HS

John Bradley, Tech Ed Teacher, St. Michaels HS

Debbie McQuaid, Guidance Counselor, SS Peter and Paul



Career Directions for Students in
Architecture, Construction and Engineering



Team: Shocker
Project: Warrior

Left to Right: Safi Siddiqui, Michael Cory, Deanna Hedgepeth, Joe Luby, Mehreen Siddiqui, Jacob Startt, Chris Potosnak and Anthony Defelice



Team: Angry Mango Mafia
Project: The Queen's Stadium
(A CIRT Competition Project)

Left to Right: Marco Genova, Dylan Lehman, Alex Spiegel, Erich Wagenblatt, Tim West, Jed Heikes, Ben Payne, Alex Schmitt, Chris Ritz and in front, Lucas Walker



Team: Saintly Collective
Project: Mister Scoops Ice Cream Parlor

Left to Right: Alec Chosta, Will Weisman, Dylan Peter, Jake Stein, Griffin Ronning, Linda Seymour, Kevin Moore, Matt Stevens, Ricky Stacey and Bobby Lemaire