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## COLIN LEUNG NAMED SUNSHINE STATE SCHOLAR FOR MARTIN COUNTY

Colin Leung, a junior at the Clark Advanced Learning Center, has been selected as the 2015 Sunshine State Scholar for the Martin County School District. The state-wide program identifies each district's top 11th grade student in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM).

Leung, 16, has maintained a straight A grade point average since middle school and taught himself calculus. The aspiring engineer has completed eight high school/college dual enrollment courses and is enrolled in four more at the Clark Advanced Learning Center, located on the Chastain Campus of Indian River State College in Stuart. A Palm City resident, Leung has also completed over 100 community service hours at the Cummings Library and YMCA Easter House.

As a Sunshine State Scholar, Leung will meet with representatives from Florida's colleges and universities and learn about STEM-related programs of study and internships. The final competition and conference for recognized students and their parents will be held in Orlando in February. Colin Leung and his parents, Stephen Leung and Caroline Li, will represent Martin County at the state-wide event.

The Clark Advanced Learning Center, an A-rated public charter high school, serves about 250 Martin County students in an enriched small school learning environment. The Clark is the top ranked high school on the Treasure Coast and in the top ten high schools in Florida based on the state's high school grading system. Clark students have the opportunity to earn college credits for free through dual enrollment with the convenience and advantages of the IRSC Chastain Campus. Students engage in internships related to their career interests and participate in customized learning and real-world projects that inspire motivation and achievement.

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