

The 2019 STEM TEAM and Students

Working with Students and Dedicated Volunteers what more can one ask for. I truly enjoy our museum, our volunteers, visitors, but especially youth eager to succeed, and happy to be your new STEM Coordinator. We stared the STEM program two years ago from scratch, we are now starting our second year with great enthusiasm and the great encouragement we received from our students and parents. The Valiant Air Command Inc. has all the tools need to share with our youth and we have initiated a STEM program to aid young people in meeting the increasing needs of industry's requirements for skill sets that in general are no longer taught in school systems. In the past year we have attracted the attention of the following, American Space Museum, Space Trek at Kennedy Space Center, USATS Flight Training, Women's Pilots 99, Knight Manufacturing, NASA HUNCH Program, A grant from Walmart Inc. and local Business Community Support. One area which could blossom into a great advantage for the community and the youth not only for the area but for the State of Florida as a

whole is the interest of a State College partnering with us as an education facility. Much more to take place as we move forward. Yes, and we are ready to help young people understand how to work as a team member and to get ready for their future. Our STEM team members have a saying "To see a youngster with a smile on their face is the greatest accomplishments a mentor can receive as a reward".

Now to the fun stuff. It's about to get busy so watch us grow. By Bill Teixeira