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#### COCOA

Atlantis teacher wins award.

LifeStyle Homes honored Melanie Petty, a fourth-grade teacher at Atlantis Elementary in Cocoa, as teacher of the month. LifeStyle surprised Petty with balloons, flowers, a goodie bag and a gift card from Office Depot.

Every month, LifeStyle Homes receives nominations from Brevard Public Schools and selects a teacher of the month who then receives items from their wish list. At the end of the school year, a grand prize winner is selected to win a classroom makeover.

For more information, visit [www.buildinglifestyle.com](http://www.buildinglifestyle.com).  
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#### MELBOURNE

Florida Tech receives grant.

Florida Tech was awarded a three-year National Science Foundation grant for \$214,161.

The grant, which begins Jan 1., will allow interdisciplinary training for undergraduate students in biological and mathematical sciences in a special program.

Annually, six mathematics and biology majors will be mentored by Florida Tech professors and will conduct research in such areas as molecular, cell and developmental biology and population ecology.

The selected students also will be exposed to cutting-edge mathematical and statistical tools.  
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#### VIERA

School district to hold hearing on boundary change.

The Brevard County School Board has scheduled a public hearing for 5:30 p.m. on Jan 22 at the Educational Services Facility in Viera to discuss adjustments to the attendance areas for the district's Cambridge and International Baccalaureate programs.

Specific recommendations on a possible change in school boundaries for each of the programs can be found online at [www.brevard.k12.fl.us](http://www.brevard.k12.fl.us).

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