Mallory McVannel is this week’s student of the week. Mallory joined the academy in the fall of 2010. She is in the Chemistry research cluster working with Dr. Schwab and she is currently seeking a degree double majoring in Chemistry and Biology and her favorite subject is Chemistry.

Mallory is from King, North Carolina and graduated from West Stokes High School in 2010. She enjoys playing badminton and basketball, watching comedy movies, and volunteering at Habitat for Humanity and AARF (Animal Adoption and Rescue Foundation).

Her most memorable moment from being a student in the academy thus far was white water rafting during the summer bridge program. When asked to provide a quote about her experience in the academy, Mallory quoted Walt Disney: “Around here, however, we don't look backwards for very long. We keep moving forward, opening up new doors and doing new things, because we’re curious...and curiosity keeps leading us down new paths.” Mallory plans on attending graduate school at NC State to become a veterinarian.

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