Anthony Frushour is this week’s student of the week. Anthony joined the academy in the spring of 2012. He is in the Physics and Astronomy research cluster working with Dr. Caton and he is currently seeking a degree in Geology with a concentration in Quantitative Geoscience and a minor in Astronomy. Anthony is from Granite Falls, NC and he graduated from South Caldwell High School in 2009. His favorite subjects are all the sciences, but specifically Planetary Science. He enjoys space exploration, geology, astronomy, rockhounding, camping, hiking, swimming, and science fiction.

Anthony’s most memorable moments as a student in the Academy was getting the nickname “Flash” from Dr. Caton last semester. When asked to provide a quote about his experience in the academy, Anthony said: "The academy has given me the opportunity to work with faculty I otherwise wouldn’t have been able to. I've had the opportunity do x-ray diffraction on samples from carbonatite volcanos in Tanzania with Brian Zimmer, find periods of binary and variable stars with Dr. Caton, and improve the fossil record with Dr. Heckert." Anthony hopes to attend graduate school, and concentrate in planetary geology in a geology or planetary science program. I hope to do research with a participating scientist working on data from one of the Mars missions such as the Mars Science Laboratory or Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter.

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