Jacob Pawlik is this week’s student of the week. Jacob joined the academy in the spring of 2013. He is in the Chemistry research cluster working with Dr. Puckett and he is currently seeking a degree as a Certified Chemist. Jacob is from Newton, NC and he graduated from The North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics. His favorite subject is Chemistry and he really enjoys reading good book, being an outdoorsman, and rocking out on the drum set. Jacob hopes to enter graduate school upon graduation to study some sort of chemistry, probably biochemistry. He hopes to look for a job in the industrial field, because in his mind, nothing beats chemistry lab work!

Jacob’s most memorable moment as a student in the Academy was shortly after being accepted into the Academy, he felt like he had the worst lab day a student could have. After stepping back to look at the experiment and the ups and downs he went through, Jacob laughed it off and relieved that in the end he got it done correctly. When asked to provide a quote about his experience in the academy, Jacob said: “Being in the Academy has helped me finally feel in tune with the great things offered by the university, the Academy being one of them.”

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