

## Announcements

### Holiday Office Hours

SAWDC will close Thursday  
December 22nd at 5pm and  
re-open on Monday January  
2nd at 8am

### Community College Deadlines for Round II Funding

Applications Due to SAWDC:

**January 6, 2012**

SAWDC Grants Review:

**January 20, 2012**

Applications Due to WDD:

**February 1, 2012**

Grant Consideration Meeting:

**March 7, 2012**

**SAWDC 2012 First Quarter  
Council Meeting**  
Wednesday March 14, 2012  
Location TBD

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# Region 9 News

December 2011

## SAWDC Wishes You a Safe and Happy Holiday Season

## Congratulations to the SAWDC Worlds of Opportunity Student iPod Winners



*Sky Gorum, Flomaton High*

*Virginia Knight, Foley Middle*



*Kooper Brannan, Grand Bay Middle*

The following students were selected from a pool of almost two thousand 8th graders who participated in the Worlds of Opportunity Survey:

Sky Gorum, Flomaton High  
Virginia Knight, Foley Middle  
Jordan Bankser, Bay Minette Middle  
Yolande Morrison, Mae Eanes Middle  
Mashonda Goode, Denton Middle  
James Wayne, Wilson Hall Middle  
Kooper Brannan, Grand Bay Middle  
Javier Hidalgo, Semmes Middle

## SAWDC 4th Quarter Council Meeting Recap

SAWDC staff, Council members and guests met on Wednesday December 14th for the 4th Quarter Council Meeting. The meeting was held at Thomasville Civic Center with Hosts Sheldon Day, Mayor of Thomasville and Jim Searcy, Executive Director of Coastal Gateway Economic Development Alliance (CGEDA).

Presenters also included Roger Fortner, Coordinator for GOWD, Lisa Rollan, Project Coordinator for Southwest Alabama Advanced Manufacturing Solutions, Troy Wayman, SAWDC Chairman, Laura Chandler, SAWDC Executive Director, and Susan Pruett and Bob Foley for the 2012 STEM Education Summit.

Following the Council Meeting, guests were invited to a tour of the grounds and facilities at Lakeside Steel in Thomasville, Alabama.

Many thanks to our guests who participated in the meeting. Your continued support of SAWDC and the efforts of Region 9 is greatly appreciated.

**Mark your calendars for the 2012 1st Quarter Council Meeting being held March 14, 2012. Location to be determined.**