

Wiregrass Teachers go to Crossfield Aerospace Education Workshop

A group of teachers participating in the Wiregrass Math and Science Consortium at Troy University Dothan Campus traveled to Dayton, Ohio in July for four days of professional development at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base and the National U.S. Air Force Museum.

The Consortium took seven Dothan-area teachers to the Crossfield Aerospace Education Workshop in Dayton from July 15-19. While there, the group attended the National Aviation Hall of Fame enshrinement ceremony and met 12 Apollo astronauts, including Buzz Aldrin and Neil Armstrong.

"This was a dream come true for me and an historic occasion with 12 Apollo Astronauts together just talking and sharing 'war' stories about going to the moon," said Sandy Armstrong, director of the Wiregrass Math and Science Consortium. "I am even more energized to get the word out about the value of aerospace education in Alabama's math and science classrooms."

The trip provided teachers with aerospace experiences, instructional lessons and resources to share with their students, Armstrong said.

The Wiregrass Math and Science Consortium is a joint venture of TROY's Dothan Campus and partner school systems. Its goal is to increase student performance in math and science by providing professional development for K-12 teachers.