

AFCEA Cyber Security Capture-the-Flag

4 April 2019

On 4 April, students representing high schools across Tampa Bay competed in a Capture-the-Flag event at SOFWERX, supported by Cyber Florida. This event was the culmination of the annual AFCEA Cyber Security Program.

AFCEA ignites passion for Cyber Security within the youth of Tampa Bay through an annual "Cyber Fortress" program. It is engineered to educate, foster and cultivate a willingness to commit to a life long journey in defending commercial, academia and government interests from cyberspace threats. The program is currently serving one hundred-forty students at seven high schools: Plant, Countryside, Seminole, Lakewood, East Lake, Osceola and St. Pete.

Event Outcomes

- 40 students from the Tampa Bay area attended
- Students accessed an online environment, provided by Cyber Florida, with a series of challenges
- Each High School represented a team and developed a strategy to win cash prizes upon completion
- Inspired students to investigate careers in Cyber Security
- Created awareness of the need for Cyber Security in a variety of industries