Andrew Vahlberg

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Education:

Candidate for a Bachelor of Science in Computational Physics (Sophomore), 2024-Present Grove City College; GPA: 3.96

Research & Studies:

Academic Research on the Multilayer Reflector of the Six Spotted Tiger Beetle Spring 2025

- Independently investigated the presence of a multilayer reflector in the beetle
- Researched previous studies, where the multilayer reflector has been well-documented
- Hypothesized that the reflective structures may reside in the surface layers of the elytra
- Successfully located what we believe to be the multilayer reflector within the top 1.5 microns of the elytra's surface
- Further analysis will be continued to characterize the spectrum of light produced by the multilayer reflector
- Presentation of Research at the APS EGLS Spring 2025 Meeting April 2025
 - Created a Poster Presentation for the research my partner and I had been conducting over the past semester on the Epicuticular Multilayer Reflector of the Six Spotted Tiger Beetle
 - o Presented research to both interested individuals and judges

SEM Training & Experience

Fall 2024

• Learned how to independently operate the college's Scanning Electron Microscope

Volunteer, Internship, & Employment Experience:

Severna Park Evangelical Presbyterian Church Youth Intern

Summer 2025

• Worked with Middle and High School youth, where I organized events and retreats and built community and fellowship opportunities.

Algebra 1 & Calculus I & II Tutor	2024-2025
Severna Park Community Center Lifeguard & Pool Operator	2022-2025
Class Treasurer for Senior Trip Fundraising	2022-2024

• Independently managed income and expenses and organized patron interactions

Awards & Affiliations:

Society of Physics Students International	2024-Present
American Physical Society	2024-Present
American Astronomical Society	2024-Present
Christian Service Brigade	2014-Present
Awarded Dean's List with High Distinction	2024-2025