West Sound STEM in Washington, which receives funding from NESSP learnt about life as an astronaut through a 20 min live meeting through NASA TV’s Media Channel. 1000 students and 200 adults participated in live chat. A welcome was provided by Native American students.

Students had to research topics on questions they thought interesting and then a few where selected to ask questions. An excellent news clip on the process was provided by PBS at https://kcts9.org/programs/in-close/questions-and-astronauts-middle-schoolers-participate-in-out-world-qa
Additional Links to News Stories:

- Area students take virtual trip to International Space Station at event in Gig Harbor
  [Link](http://www.thenewstribune.com/news/local/community/gateway/g-news/article189869259.html)


- [Link](http://www.kxxv.com/story/37048548/washington-students-to-speak-with-nasa-astronaut-on-space-station-today)