scale model of the solar system at last week's Fountain City STEAM Camp at Central High School. Adkins is a teacher in the county's Gifted and Talented Program. Photo by Ken Lav



## Students study outer space at Central Science Camp

## on cuts to indigent care funding

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A reduction in funds to the Knox County Health Department was tentatively approved in a work session of the Knox County Commission. The cut in funding may come back up today in the commission's regular monthly meeting.

Although Mayor Glenn Jacoba' proposal is larger than the current county budget, it cuts funding to the health department's indigent care program that is handled by Cherokee Health. Health Department Director Dr. Marths Buchanan has said that Jacoba wanted even larger cuts but that her health partners said they couldn't live with the bigger funding cuts. She went back to Mayor Jacoba who increased the funding somewhat in his budget.