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## **BSD'S TVMSC SCIENCE OLYMPIAD TEAMS TAKE THE GOLD!**

Boise, ID --04/14/2011 -- On Saturday, April 9, 2011 Boise School District's Treasure Valley Math and Science Center's Junior Science Olympiad team successfully earned first place at the State-wide Science Olympiad Junior High/Middle School Division B Event held at Northwest Nazarene University.

<http://www.nnu.edu/academics/schools/school-of-science-and-mathematics/science-olympiad/>

At the same event, TVMSC's High School Science Olympiad team was successful as the second place team in the Division C High School Science Olympiad Event.

As the top school, TVMSC's students and teams in each division were awarded trophies and their coaches received special recognition. The winning teams from the high school (Division C) and the junior high/middle school (Division B) will represent Idaho at the National Science Olympiad Event held May 18-21 in Madison, Wisconsin.

TVMSC's Junior Science Olympiad winning team (B31) was:

**Parker Hinton**, 8th grade, North Jr. High  
**Miranda Tang**, 9th grade, Fairmont Jr. High  
**Ethan Kittelson**, 7th grade, Les Bois Jr. High  
**Vanessa Wong**, 7th, North Jr. High  
**Matthew Mitchell**, 7th, St. Mark's Catholic School  
**Samantha Williams**, 7th, Fairmont Jr. High  
**Wesley Wong**, 8th, Lowell Scott Middle School  
**Sonia Ivanova**, 8th, Riverglen Jr. High  
**Karthik Mouli**, 7th, North Jr. High  
**Eric Huang**, 8th, North Jr. High  
**Maeve McCormick**, 8th, Riverglen Jr. High  
**Michael Roberts**, 7th, Riverglen Jr. High  
**Mojan Farid**, 7<sup>th</sup>, Hillside Jr. High  
**Nathaniel Weissinger**, 8th, North Star Charter School  
**Dietrich Reidenbaugh**, 8th, North Jr. High

Other TVMSC team members:

**Mallory Cullen**, 9th, Riverglen Jr. High  
**Hanif Djunaedly**, 8th, Hillside Jr. High

**Guangze (James) Xu**, 9th, North Jr. High  
**Madisyn Frazier**, 9th, Riverglen Jr. High

Events TVMSC won:

1st place--Crimebusters, **Miranda Tang** and **Wesley Wong**  
1st place--Disease Detectives, **Parker Hinton** and **Vanessa Wong**  
1st place--Ecology, **Maeve McCormick** and **Sonia Ivanova**  
1st place--Experimental Design, **Wesley Wong**, **Parker Hinton**, and **Vanessa Wong**  
1st place--Meteorology, **Dietrich Reidenbaugh**  
1st place--Microbe Mission, **Karthik Mouli** and **Eric Huang**  
1st place--Shock Value, **Matthew Mitchell**  
1st place--Dynamic Planet, **Hanif Djunaedy** and **James Xu**  
2nd place--Dynamic Planet, **Sonia Ivanova** and **Maeve McCormick**  
2nd place--Fossils, **Miranda Tang**  
2nd place--Optics, **Mojan Farid** and **Sonia Ivanova**  
2nd place--Road Scholar, **Dietrich Reidenbaugh**  
3rd place--Can't Judge a Powder--**Karthik Mouli** and **Eric Huang**  
3rd place--Write it Do it, **Mallory Cullen** and **Madisyn Frazier**  
4th place--Disease Detectives, **Madisyn Frazier** and **Mallory Cullen**  
5th place--Anatomy, **Samantha Williams** and **Eric Huang**  
5th place--Compute This, **Wesley Wong**  
5th place--Ornithology, **Karthik Mouli** and **Ethan Kittelson**  
5h place--Write it Do it, **Miranda Tang** and **Maeve McCormick**

At the same event, TVMSC's High School Science Olympiad team was successful as the second place team in the Division C High School Science Olympiad Event.

TVMSC's High School team won 9 gold medals, more than any other team in the competition.

1st place; Chem lab- **Caleb Huang** and **Sam Chandler**  
1st place; Dynamic Planet- **Zane Beckman** and **Alex Baca**  
1st place; Ecology- **Sam Chandler** and **Alex Baca**  
1st place; Experimental design- **Charles Bin**  
1st place; Fossils- **Alex Baca** and **Sam Chandler**  
1st place; Microbe mission- **Caleb Huang** and **Logan Knowles**  
1st place; Optics- **Caleb Huang** and **Logan Knowles**  
1st place; Remote sensing- **Alex Baca** and **Bailey Cullen**  
1st place; Technical problem solving- **Caleb Huang** and **Alex Harmon**  
2nd place; Ornithology- **Sam Chandler** and **Alex Harmon**  
2nd place; Towers- **Alex Baca** and **Logan Knowles**  
3rd place; Write it-do it- **Alex Harmon** and **Charles Bin**

TVMSC's High School Science Olympiad team in the Division C High School Science Olympiad Event included:

**Zane Beckman**  
**Alex Harmon**  
**Charles Bin**  
**Maddie Cullen**  
**Bailey Cullen**  
**Kristin Mitchell**  
**Caleb Huang**

**Sam Chandler**  
**Alex Baca**  
**Logan Knowles**

**About Science Olympiad**

Science Olympiad was founded in 1983 to increase student interest in science. Since 1983, the Olympiad movement has grown to all 50 states and Canada. A team of up to 15 students (there is both a junior high school competition and a senior high competition) compete in a series of individual and team events that encourage learning in biology, earth science, chemistry, physics, problem-solving, and technology. While some events in The Science Olympiad require scientific knowledge, others rely on science processes, skills, or applications.

**About Treasure Valley Mathematics & Science Center**

The Treasure Valley Mathematics and Science Center (TVMSC) of Boise School District is a magnet school program offered to exceptional public, private and home-schooled students in Southwest Idaho. TVMSC offers a seamless, integrated progression of challenging mathematics and science courses for high potential students in multi-age cohorts from 7th through 12th grades. At TVMSC, instruction is student-centered and inquiry-based; incorporating research-based, hands-on investigations that integrate mathematics, science, communication and technology. The faculty and staff of the Treasure Valley Mathematics and Science Center are proud to be part of a valley-wide effort to provide an exciting, innovative, and integrated mathematics and science program to public, private, and home-school students across the Boise metropolitan area. To schedule a visit to our campus, please call our office at 854-6800 or visit us online at <http://www.boiseschools.org/schools/TVMSC/index.html>

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