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Student Mathletes® Compete In State Math Contest

WHAT— 166 Middle school Mathletes® from 56 state schools competed in the Connecticut State MATHCOUNTS Competition at the University of Hartford on Saturday, March 12. State individual winners will advance to the Raytheon MATHCOUNTS National Competition to be held in Washington, DC on May 6. Teachers and students have been preparing for the competition since the fall. Students competed individually and as teams in written and fast-paced oral matches on subjects that include algebra, probability, statistics, and geometry.

The competition is sponsored and organized by the Connecticut Society of Professional Engineers and hosted by the University of Hartford.

WHO - The following are the 2011 Connecticut State MATHCOUNTS Competition results:

INDIVIDUAL WINNERS

<u>Place</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Town</u>	<u>Student</u>	<u>Coaches</u>
1st	Eastern Middle School	Greenwich	Michael Kural	Kim Tecce Tara Hoffman
2nd	Dodd Middle School	Cheshire	Shangda Xu	Mary Cabrera
3rd	Pierrepoint School	Westport	Jacob Klegar	Sheila Sundaram
4th	Whisconier School	Brookfield	Alicia Wang	Jon Reinhardt

SCHOOL TEAM WINNERS

<u>Place</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Town</u>	<u>Student</u>	<u>Coaches</u>
1st	Whisconier School	Brookfield	Alicia Wang Ryan Gallo Jean Hue Peter Lazorchak	Jon Reinhardt
2nd	Eastern Middle School	Greenwich	Michael Kural Jessica Cheng Julia Wang Nicholas Jayakar	Kim Tecce Tara Hoffman
3rd	Mansfield Middle School	Storrs	Eric Hong Jonathan Huang Anysia Lee Rachael Son	Douglas Perkins
4th	Pierrepoint School	Westport	Jacob Klegar Alison Huntley Matthew Huggins Kapil Chandran	Sheila Sundaram

COUNTDOWN ROUND WINNERS

<u>Place</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Town</u>	<u>Student</u>	<u>Coaches</u>
1st	Eastern Middle School	Greenwich	Michael Kural	Kim Tecce Tara Hoffman
2nd	Clark Lane Middle School	Waterford	Robert Kao	Shangming Kao
3rd	Mansfield Middle School	Storrs	Jonathan Huang	Douglas Perkins
4th	Pierrepont School	Westport	Jacob Klegar	Sheila Sundaram

Teams and/or individuals were represented from the following schools:

Albert D. Griswold Middle School, Rocky Hill
Avon Middle School, Avon
Bedford Middle School, Westport
Broadview Middle School, Danbury
Bristow Middle School, West Hartford
Brunswick Middle School, Greenwich
Canton Middle School, Canton
Cloonan Middle School, Stamford
Cutler Middle School, Mystic
Clark Lane Middle School, Waterford
Coleytown Middle School, Westport
Cromwell Middle School, Cromwell
Dodd Middle School, Cheshire
East Lyme Middle School, Niantic
Eastern Middle School, Greenwich
Edgewood Magnet School, New Haven
Ezra Academy, Woodbridge
Hall Memorial School, Willington
Haddam Killingworth Middle School, Killingworth
Hamden Hall Country Day School, Hamden
Hamden Middle School, Hamden
Henry James Memorial School, Simsbury
Hopkins School, New Haven
Har-Bur Middle School, Burlington
Hillcrest Middle School, Trumbull
Indian Mountain School, Lakeville
Irving Robbins Middle School, Farmington
J. A. DePaolo Middle School, Southington
John F. Kennedy Middle School, Plantsville
John Winthrop Middle School, Deep River
King Philip Middle School, West Hartford
Ledyard Middle School, Gales Ferry
Lyme/Old Lyme Middle School, Old Lyme
Mansfield Middle School, Storrs
Middlebrook School, Wilton
Mystic Middle School, Mystic
North Haven Middle School, North Haven
Old Saybrook Middle School, Old Saybrook

Teams and/or individuals were represented from the following schools:
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Pierrepont School, Westport
Renbrook School, West Hartford
Rochambeau Middle School, Southbury
Rogers Park Middle School, Danbury
Saint Thomas, Southington
Sage Park Middle School, Windsor
Salem School, Salem
Saxe Middle School, New Caanan
Scofield Magnet Middle School, Stamford
Smith Middle School, Glastonbury
Talcott Mountain Academy, Avon
Timothy Edwards Middle School, South Windsor
Vernon Center Middle School, Vernon
Westbrook Middle School, Westbrook
Whisconier Middle School, Brookfield
Weston Middle School, Weston
William J. Johnston Middle School, Colchester
Worthington Hooker Middle School, New Haven

BACKGROUND — MATHCOUNTS is a national program designed to improve math skills among the nation's students. The program focuses on middle school students who are at a crucial stage in developing and sustaining math interest and ability. Students who do not begin developing strong problem-solving, logical thinking and analytical abilities in middle school will face an uphill battle later in life if they wish to pursue a medical, scientific, mathematical, engineering or technical career.