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Dominican Announces Winners of Annual Academic Challenge

Competition draws over 265 seventh and eighth grade students

WHITEFISH BAY, Wis. – Over 265 seventh and eighth grade students from 21 area elementary schools competed in Dominican High School's 15th annual Academic Challenge held Feb. 8 at the school. Participants were assessed in nine areas of academic concentration including art, English, French, math, religious studies, science, social studies, Spanish and performing arts.

Winners were named in both individual and all-school categories. In the all-school category, Lumen Christi School of Mequon received a first-place trophy in the large school division and St. Monica School of Whitefish Bay received a second-place trophy. In the small school category, St. Eugene Parish School of Fox Point received a first place trophy and Holy Family Parish School of Whitefish Bay a second place trophy. The all-school winners were determined by the highest composite average school scores. In addition to trophies, all four schools also received cash awards ranging from \$50 to \$150.

First place eighth grade winners in each academic concentration received \$1,000 Dominican renewable scholarships; second place winners received \$500 renewable scholarships. First place seventh grade winners in each academic concentration received \$500 renewable scholarships; second place winners received \$200 renewable scholarships. All individual winners also received trophies.

The 36 individual award winners are listed by school below:

Christ King, Wauwatosa: Aubrey Klein (eighth grade second place religious studies) and Sarah Nevesimal (seventh grade second place performing arts).

Holy Family Parish School, Whitefish Bay: Amelia Foss (eighth grade first place English), Jack Koppa (eighth grade first place social studies), Emily Nelson (seventh grade first place English), and Joanne Wycklendt (eighth grade first place math).

Lumen Christi School, Mequon: Brittany VonRueden (eighth grade first place religious studies), Caitlin Geary (seventh grade second place religious studies) and Jacob Pugely (eighth grade first place science).

Our Lady of Good Hope, Milwaukee: Timothy Windisch (seventh grade first place religious studies).

St. Bernard School, Wauwatosa: Joseph Heinen (seventh grade second place art).

St. Dominic School, Brookfield: Billy MacDonald (eighth grade second place social studies) and Monica Ruppert (eighth grade first place Spanish).

St. Eugene School, Fox Point: Charlie Hoffman (eighth grade second place math), Henry Moroder (seventh grade second place social studies), Aislinn O'Dwyer (seventh grade first place science), Stephen Slattery (seventh grade second place English) and Michael Yarmulnik (seventh grade first place math).

St. Francis Borgia School, Cedarburg: Meredith Heneghan (eighth grade second place art).

St. Jude the Apostle, Wauwatosa: Michael Drakopolous (seventh grade first place social studies), Jack McCarthy (seventh grade seventh grade math), Sam Mullolly (eighth grade second place performing arts) and Claire Wojnowiak (seventh grade first place art).

St. Mary School, Menomonee Falls: Joseph Fellows (eighth grade first place art).

St. Monica School, Whitefish Bay: Yvonne Hangsterfer (eighth grade first place Spanish) and Ari Lopez (seventh grade first place Spanish).

St. Robert School, Shorewood: Jeremy Bredeson (seventh grade second place French), Frankie Carter (seventh grade first place performing arts), Zoe Collins (first place seventh grade French), Madeline Franke (eighth grade first place performing arts), John Goodman (eighth grade second place Spanish), Eddie Linn (eighth grade second place French), Tommy Pech (eighth grade second place science), Francisco Rodriguez (seventh grade second place Spanish) and Kerrick Taylor (eighth grade first place French).

St. Thomas Aquinas, Milwaukee: Jesse Goryl (seventh grade second place science).

Dominican High School is a leader in secondary education, providing young men and women with a quality, Catholic college-preparatory education in a small, nurturing environment. Founded over 50 years ago by the Sinsinawa Dominicans and based in Whitefish Bay, Wis., Dominican's diverse population draws students from more than 50 grade schools and four counties across southeastern Wisconsin.

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