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Dominican Announces Winners of Annual Academic Challenge

Competition draws more than 250 seventh and eighth grade students

WHITEFISH BAY, Wis. – More than 250 seventh and eighth grade students from 20 area elementary schools competed in Dominican High School's 16th annual Academic Challenge held Feb. 6 at the school. Participants were assessed in eight areas of academic concentration including art, English, 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, St. Robert School of Shorewood received a first-place trophy in the large school division and St. Francis Borgia of Cedarburg 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 32 individual award winners are listed by school below:

Bruce Guadalupe Middle School: Fatima Gomez (eighth grade first place performing arts).

Christ King, Wauwatosa: Ben Zellmer (seventh grade second place religious studies).

Holy Family Parish School, Whitefish Bay: Emily Nelson (eighth grade second place English) and John Wagner (eighth grade second place religious studies).

Lumen Christi School, Mequon: Clare O'Malley (seventh grade first place art) and Alex Vielmetti (eighth grade first place social studies).

Notre Dame, Milwaukee: Carina Belmontes (eighth grade first place Spanish) and Julieta Alonso (eighth grade second place Spanish).

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

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St. Agnes School, Butler: Nick Magestro (eighth grade second place science).

St. Eugene School, Fox Point: Jacob Drehobl (seventh grade first place math), Joey Hoffman (seventh grade second place science), Sydney Manista (seventh grade second place Spanish), Mike Roche (seventh grade second place social studies), Stephen Slattery (eighth grade first place English) and Michael Yarmulnik (eighth grade second place math).

St. Francis Borgia School, Cedarburg: Jessie Miller (seventh grade second place art), Emma Pigeon (seventh grade second place math), Clarisse White (seventh grade second place performing arts) and Corrine White (eighth grade first place art).

St. Joseph, Grafton: Aliana Sutherland (seventh grade second place English) and Jacob Woolf (seventh grade first place science).

St. Jude the Apostle, Wauwatosa: Tim Donovan (seventh grade first place religious studies), Michael Drakapolous (eighth grade first place math) and Emily Franco (eighth grade second place social studies).

St. Monica School, Whitefish Bay: Madeline Long (eighth grade second place art).

St. Robert School, Shorewood: Patrick Bryne (seventh grade first place social studies), Brigid Gallagher (seventh grade first place Spanish), Jerome Linn (seventh grade first place performing arts), Allison Mitchell (seventh grade first place English), Joey Pickett (eighth grade second place performing arts) and Max Pignotti (eighth grade first 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 supportive, 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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