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CHS wins Science Olympiad National Championship

The Centerville High School Science Olympiad Team successfully defended their 2009 title to win the Science Olympiad National Tournament for the second consecutive year.

The Centerville team faced tough competition in the tournament which included 60 teams from high schools all over the US competing in 23 different science related events. CHS led the way with 1st place in the Cell Biology, Ornithology, Picture This, and Model This events; 2nd in Egg-O-Naut and Fossils; 3rd in Ecology, Physics Lab, and Remote Sensing; 4th in Disease Detectives and Elevated Bridge; 5th in Forensics, It's About Time, and Technical Problem Solving; and 6th in Experimental Design. As National Champions of the High School Division, each member of the CHS team was awarded a full tuition, four-year scholarship to the University of Illinois, where the 2010 tournament was held.



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The 22 members of the Centerville Magsig Middle School team took sixth place overall in the Middle School Division, placing 1st in Bio Process, 3rd in Anatomy, 4th in Trajectory, 5th in Compute This, and 6th in Elevated Bridge. The first place win in Bio Process netted each of the two Magsig competitors a \$2,000 per year scholarship at University of Illinois and the school a \$1,000 award from Texas Instruments.

Perennial rivals from Solon High School and Solon Middle School took third place and first place respectively which put all four of the teams from Ohio in the top 10 percent of all teams competing in the National Tournament.

Science Olympiad involves more than 6,000 teams in 6th through 12th grades throughout the country. The mission of the program is to enhance the quality of science education, to create a passion for science among young people and to reward both students and teachers for academic achievement.

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