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FROM THE AD'S DESK
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2019 International 1st place winners from Washington: (*L*) Emily Feng, Best Senior Scenario Writer; (C) Jenna Gould, Britta Jorgensen, Kalani Kelbert, Eleanor Row--Seattle Hill Elementary, 1st place GIPS Junior Division; (R) Tejus Agrawal, Joshua Wang, Tanush Yadav, Clarence Zheng--Interlake High School, 1st place GIPS Middle Division.

2019 International 1st place winners from Washington: (*L*) Sidhya Ganesh, 1st place Scenario Performance; (*C*) Jae-yoon Lee, 1st place MAGIC Junior Division, Fairhaven Middle School; (*R*) Zachary McGiverin, 1st place MAGIC Middle Division, Fairhaven Middle School.

Hello Coaches,

Congratulations to Team Washington at the International Conference. Once again students and teams from Washington State were quite noticeable at the awards ceremony at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. This year we garnered six first place, four second place, and four third place trophies, as well as the "Best Senior Division Writer" award, a feat that will be difficult to top. Also, one of the Washington State coaches, Debby Benzinger, from Odle Middle School, received the 2019 Keith Frampton Award that recognizes outstanding FPS coaches at the international level.

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WASHINGTON FPS AT 2019 INTERNATIONAL RESULTS

Scenario Writing Junior Division:

8th place, Edmunda Li, Odle Middle School
11th place, Vishnu Mangipudi, Bellevue Independent
28th place, Carol Gong, Spiritridge Elementary

Scenario Writing Middle Division:

19th place, Joy An, Odle Middle School
31st place, Prisha Hemani, Odle Middle School
36th place, Madeleine Ford, Tyee Middle School

Scenario Writing Senior Division:

8th place, Rachel Chen, Interlake High School
11th place, Emily Feng, Interlake High School
18th place, Surtaz Khan, Interlake High School

Scenario Performance Junior Division:

3rd place, Edie Tehan, Spiritridge Elementary

Scenario Performance Middle Division:

1st place, Sidhya Ganesh, Odle Middle School
2nd place, Joy An, Odle Middle School
7th place, Richard Li, Odle Middle School

Scenario Performance Senior Division:

12th place, Anshita Saini, Interlake High School

Scenario Writing team competition Senior Division:

1st place in team competition, Emily Feng, Interlake High School

Scenario Writing On-site Best Writer Senior Division:

Emily Feng, Interlake High School

Community Problem Solving Junior Division:

7th place in Environmental Concerns, Forest Friends: Bobby Herzog, Olivia Robbins, Cathcart Elementary
8th place in Human Services, Socio-Emotional Assistance for Students: Samuel Blankenship, Kennedy Brewer, Amelia Brumley, Jubilee Reed, Cathcart Elementary

Multi-Affiliate Global Issues Competition Junior Division (MAGIC):

1st place team, Jae-yoon Lee, Fairhaven Middle School
2nd place team, Gabriella Waltz, Fairhaven Middle School
3rd place team, Abhidi Brahnmath, Spiritridge Elementary

Multi-Affiliate Global Issues Competition Middle Division (MAGIC):

1st place team, Zachary McGiverin, Fairhaven Middle School
2nd place team, Cecilia Sun, Odle Middle School
4th place team, Nishka Kacheria, Odle Middle School

Multi-Affiliate Global Issues Competition Adult Division (MAGIC):

2nd place team, Matthew Bohannan, Leota Middle School;
3rd place team, Michael Finley, Fairhaven Middle School

Global Issues Problem Solving Individual Junior Division:

5th place, Vishnu Mangipudi, Bellevue Independent

Global Issues Problem Solving Individual Middle Division:

9th place, Anna Sophia Flanagan, Bellingham Independent

Global Issues Problem Solving Individual Senior Division:

24th place, Alex Richardson, Newport High School

Global Issues Problem Solving Team Junior Division:

1st place, Seattle Hill Elementary (Jenna Gould, Britta Jorgensen, Kalani Kelbert, Eleanor Row);
14th place, Fairhaven Middle School (Ella Prichard, Ellie Scoggins, Jessa Parfet, Miles Remmel)

Global Issues Problem Solving Team Middle Division:

1st place, Interlake High School (Tejus Agrawal, Joshua Wang, Tanush Yadav, Clarence Zheng);
6th place, Fairhaven Middle School (Angelina Greear, Ella Thompson, Maya Weller, Aurora Tong Wu);
8th place, Leota Middle School (Daniel Berezansky, Tanya Bhandari, Jaden Cutinha, Nivedita Raj)

Global Issues Problem Solving Team Senior Division:

3rd place, Bellevue Independent (Anne Gvozdjak, Jessica Na, Anshita Saini, Vasuprada Shandar);
58th place, Interlake High School (Ray Oh, Andrew Wang, Raymond Wang, Bryan Lu)

MAGIC SUCCESS AT INTERNATIONALS

Multi-Affiliate Global Issues Problem Solving Competition (MAGIC) provides an opportunity for collaboration with other problem solvers from around the world as competitors are randomly placed onto teams by division at Internationals.

Eight challenges, eight solutions ideas, and a shortened grid were completed in the MAGIC booklet during the two-hour competition. Our Washington students collaborated with students whom they had never seen before the competition began.

Jae-yoon Lee from Fairhaven Middle School scored the big trophy for 1st place Junior Division with teammates: Vineet Saravanan from Michigan, Zain Lavin from Georgia, and Isabella Story from Australia.

Gabriella Waltz from Fairhaven Middle School teamed up with Valentin Breynaert from France, Sara Sulemanjee from Illinois, and Seta Sahagian from New Jersey to place 2nd in the Junior Division.

Abhidi Brahnmath from Spiritridge Elementary solved the booklet with her teammates: Lin Su from China, Maheen Khalid from Kentucky, and Andrew Abraham from Minnesota. Her team placed 3rd in the Junior Division.

Zachary McGiverin from Fairhaven Middle School along with teammates Annika Joshi from New Jersey, Ved Patil from North Carolina, and Rowan Trest from Wisconsin scored 1st place in the Middle Division.

From Odle Middle School, Cecilia Sun, placed 2nd in the Middle Division with teammates: Cynthia Samaha from Norway, Ryan Stanford from New Jersey, and Abigail Clements from New Zealand.

Additionally, in the Middle Division and advancing to the final round, Nishka Kacheria's team (which included students from Minnesota and North Carolina) placed 4th.

Washington State MAGIC competitors included:

Abhidi Brahnmath, Spiritridge Elementary
Sophie Nemes, Spiritridge Elementary
Jae-yoon Lee, Fairhaven Middle School
Gabriella Waltz, Fairhaven Middle School
Xiyuan Carol Gong, Spiritridge Elementary
William Feng, Odle Middle School
Sidhya Ganesh, Odle Middle School
Nishka Kacheria, Odle Middle School
Richard Li, Odle Middle School
Samanvita Singhania, Odle Middle School
Cecilia Sun, Odle Middle School
Lucas Tang, Odle Middle School
Lola Bultsma, Fairhaven Middle School
Lillian McCall, Fairhaven Middle School
Zachary McGiverin, Fairhaven Middle School
Avery Brumley, Sultan Middle School
William Liu, Tyee Middle School

Coaches Matthew Bohannan (Leota Middle School) and Michael Finley (Fairhaven Middle School) competed in the Adult MAGIC division, placing 2nd and 3rd respectively.

IC SHOUT-OUTS

Congratulations to the Fairhaven Middle School's Middle Division PAP team (Angelina Greear, Ella Thompson, Maya Weller, Aurora Tong Wu, Zach McGiverin, Lola Bultsma and Lillian McCall). The team advanced to the Final Round on June 8.

Fairhaven Middle PAP team readies for action.

A Shout-Out to Odle Middle School, who coordinated Washington IC participants with New Zealand and Colorado for the variety show on Saturday evening. They auditioned prior to being accepted as one of the final acts and performed "Count on Me."

A group from Odle Middle School supports the Middle Division Scenario Performance competitors: Richard Li, Joy An and Sidhya Ganesh at IC.

Memento Exchange at IC 2019

CMPS AT INTERNATIONALS

Congratulations to Cathcart Elementary's two Junior teams for competing in the Community Problem Solving competition! This is the first year that Washington State has competed at Internationals in this event in many years.

Presenting their project, Forest Friends, were Olivia Robbins and Bobby Herzog. Samuel Blankenship, Kennedy Brewer, Amelia Brumley and Jubilee Reed presented the project Socio-Emotional Assistance for Students.

These students were articulate and knowledgeable regarding their projects and represented Washington State well.

A few of the Cathcart Elementary CmPS participants take a quick break from explaining their projects with coach Sadie Brumley at IC 2019.

2019-2020 Topics

PP1: International Travel

PP2: Sleep Patterns

QP: Gamification

SB: Living in Poverty

IC: To be announced in early Spring

Important Dates

9/20: Early Registration ends
10/11: PPI due
11/13: Last day to register and have PPII evaluated
11/18: PPII due
1/9: CmPS progress reports due
1/14: QP due
1/23: Scenario Writing due
1/23: Scenario Performance due
2/20: CmPS projects due
2/28: Advancing Scenario Writing Cover Sheets due to IO
3/3: State Bowl registration deadline
3/9: Advancing Scenario Writing due to IO
3/18-20: State Bowl at Warm Beach
4/3: Advancing CmPS Cover Sheet due to IO
4/14: Advancing CmPS projects due to IO
6/3-7: 2020 International Conference, Amherst, Massachusetts

FINAL WORDS FROM THE AD'S DESK

A shout-out to all the coaches, chaperones, and parents who helped our Washington students have a successful and rewarding International experience.

A shout-out to our Certified International Evaluators from Washington State who evaluated at the International Conference: Ann Foreyt and Kari Beyer!

Please call/text (509) 386-6297 or email me (jbuissinkwafps@gmail.com) any time you have questions.

Next Month: **2019-2020 Registration; Topic Descriptors and more**

***"Failure is the opportunity to begin again more intelligently."* – Henry Ford**