

THE NATION'S BEST MATH AND SCIENCE STUDENTS EARN TOP HIGH SCHOOL HONORS AND STRIVE FOR \$100,000 SCHOLARSHIP

Siemens Competition in Math, Science & Technology Regional Finalists Head to University of Notre Dame November 13 & 14

WHAT: Could tomorrow's Albert Einstein or Alexander Graham Bell currently be a student in high school? What did the next generation of innovators come up with this year? Find out when the regional finalists of the 2009 Siemens Competition in Math, Science & Technology – America's premier science research competition – head to University of Notre Dame November 13 & 14. At stake is a \$3,000 prize for one individual, \$6,000 for one team, and an invitation to the National Finals in New York City for a shot at the \$100,000 Grand Prize!

WHO: Sixteen whiz kids unveil graduate level research projects to a distinguished panel of university judges. Past Siemens Competition winners and Alumni have tackled some of the world's hardest and most pressing problems through math and science. Their feats include: invention of anti-bacterial coatings for medical devices, research of cures for drug-resistant Tuberculosis, exploring zebrafish spines for an inside look at bone growth, reinventing string theory, and developing a device to generate energy from ocean waves. What research will the Nation's brightest teen minds unveil this year?

The 2009 Siemens Competition regional finalists are:

Individual Finalists:

- Angela Ma, Carmel High School, Carmel, IN
- Arjun Puranik, William Fremd High School, Palatine, IL
- Marissa Suchyta, University of Chicago Laboratory High School, Chicago, IL
- Dennis Tseng, William Mason High School, Mason, OH
- Kevin Wang, Wylie E. Groves High School, Beverly Hills, MI

Team Finalists:

- Qingyuan Chen, University of Chicago Laboratory High School, Chicago, IL; and Fred Schmitt, Naperville Central High School, Naperville, IL
- Randy Jia and David Lu, Detroit Country Day School, Beverly Hills, MI
- Renjay Lui and Bingjie Qiu, Troy High School, Troy, MI; and Lucille Zhang, Detroit Country Day School, Beverly Hills, MI
- Qinqin Yu and Sarah Kang, Rock Bridge High School, Columbia, MO
- David Zheng and Michael Luo, Carmel High School, Carmel, IN

WHERE: **On the campus of the University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN**

WHEN: **Friday, Nov. 13 – Study Lounge & Reading Room, Jordan Hall of Science**
11:00 am– 12:30 pm: Students set up projects
5:30 pm – 6:30 pm: Public viewing of projects
Saturday, Nov. 14 – Sargento Auditorium, Jordan Hall of Science
8:00 am – 1:00 pm: Students present to judges

MORE: **Want to be the first to find out who will head to the National Finals in New York?**
Log into and follow Siemens Foundation on Twitter (<http://twitter.com/SFoundation>) on Saturday, November 14, 2009 between 6:30 pm and 9:30 pm EST, when we announce the winners live!

The Siemens Competition in Math, Science & Technology is a signature program of the Siemens Foundation, which provides more than \$7 million in support of educational initiatives in the areas of science, technology, engineering and math in the United States. The Siemens Competition is administered by the College Board. More information can be found at www.siemens-foundation.org.

Winners of the regional events are invited to compete at the National Finals at New York University in New York City, December 3 – December 7, 2009. Visit www.siemens-foundation.org on December 7, 2009 at 9:30 am EST to view a live webcast of the National Finalist Award Presentation.

Interviews and Photo Ops available with students, judges and Siemens Foundation executives

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