

Buchholz High math team takes state championship

For the 16th time in 19 years, the Buchholz High School math team has won the statewide Mu Alpha Theta Competition and will be headed to the national competition in July.

Buchholz students returned home from this weekend's competition in Orlando with 231 total awards, including 22 team and individual first place awards. That included first place wins in all four divisions of the competition (calculus, pre-calculus, Algebra 2/geometry and statistics).

Competing teams earn points based on the results of a wide variety of categories. Buchholz earned a total of 7444 points, decisively beating perennial rival American Heritage Broward, which earned 7133 points.

The Buchholz team narrowly lost the state contest in 2023, but coach Will Frazer says the returning members were determined to fix that this time around.

"The work ethic and seriousness with which they approached this year's championship was amazing," he said. "This win is on my short list of all-time best victories.

Eastside High and Gainesville High also had teams at the competition. GHS came in 16th overall, while Eastside was 19th.

Frazer says the Buchholz team members will now rest and recharge their batteries for a few weeks before they begin their preparations for the national competition in Las Vegas in July. The team will be defending its 2023 national championship.

The first-place winners from Buchholz in this year's state competition include:

Mu division (Calculus)-Team of Daniel Wang, Thomas Wu, Andrew Xing, and Billy Yang

Alpha division (Pre-calculus)-Team of Jerry Yao, Saber Lian, Bryan Zheng, and Eric Gao

Theta division (Algebra 2 & Geometry)-Team of Jonathan Lin, Watson Inglett, Xi Chen, and Daniel Zhang

Statistics division-Team of Anish Patel, Vijay Hans, Michael Wei, and Eileen Lai

Relay-Team of Katie He, Bryan Zheng, and Xi Chen

Katie He-Mu Area and Volume

Eileen Lai-Statistics Ciphering

Anish Patel-Statistics individual

Daniel Wang-Mu Ciphering

Daniel Wang-Mu BC Calculus

Nathan Wei-Mu Applications

Michael Wei-Open Probability

Eddie Yuan-Alpha Equations and Inequalities

Bryan Zheng-Alpha Trigonometry

Bryan Zheng-Alpha Matrices and Vectors

Antony Kurian-Theta Logs and Exponents

Daniel Zhang-Theta Applications

Daniel Zhang-Equations and Inequalities

Thomas Wu-Mu Integration

Xi Chen-Theta Quadrilaterals

Xi Chen-Theta Geometry

Jonathan Lin-Theta Functions



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