Buchholz High math team wins 16ᵗʰ national championship

The Buchholz High School math team is celebrating its 16th national championship in 17 years after eating out 32 other schools at the Mu Alpha Theta competition in Las Vegas, Nevada recently.

The team's win margin was 613 points, the second highest in the competition's history. Team members also came home with 275 total individual and team trophies, including 30 first place awards. Buchholz took first place in all three divisions, Mu (calculus), Alpha (pre-calculus) and Theta (Algebra 2 and geometry).

 "Our kids worked very hard over the summer and improved a great deal since our win at the state championship," said coach and math teacher Will Frazer.

In April of this year, the Buchholz team won its 16ᵗʰ state championship in 19 years, earning the chance to defend its national title yet again.

Gainesville High School had a team of 11 students at the national competition, taking 15ᵗʰ place overall.

The first-place winners from BHS included:

Relay (Xi Chen, Bryan Zheng, and Katie He)
Hustle (Jonathan Lin, Saber Lian, Michael Wei, Andrew Xing)

Alpha Division:
Eric Gao-Alpha Analytic Geometry
Jerry Yao-Alpha Equations and Inequalities
Jerry Yao-Alpha Applications
Bryan Zheng-Alpha Trigonometry
Eric Gao-Alpha Combinatorics and Probability
Saber Lian-Alpha Individual
Saber Lian-Alpha Complex Numbers
Bryan Zheng-Alpha Ciphering

Theta Division:
Xi Chen-Theta Analytic Geometry and Conics
Antony Kurian-Theta Equations and Inequalities
Jonathan Lin-Theta Combinatorics and Probability
Yifan Song-Theta Circles and Polygons
Aliana Chen-Theta Area and Volume
Jonathan Lin-Theta Logarithms and Exponents
Watson Inglett-Theta Ciphering

Mu Division:
Thomas Wu-Mu Limits and Derivatives
Will Guan-Mu Math in Physics
Katie He-Mu Combinatorics and Probability
Nathan Wei-Mu Area and Volume

Open:
Vijay Hans-History of Math
Michael Wei-Student Speed Math
Andrew Xing-Student Mental Math
Ziwei Lu-Sponsor Mental Math

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