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La Lumiere School's Science Olympiad Team Heads to State for the 19th Consecutive Year

La Porte, IN – March 2, 2010 – La Lumiere School's Science Olympiad team competed in the Indiana Science Olympiad regional competition at Goshen College, Saturday, February 13. La Lumiere placed second in the tournament behind Northridge High School and earned the right to advance to the Indiana Science Olympiad Finals, at Indiana University, Bloomington on March 20. The Laker team won medals in 20 of the 23 events. Headmaster, Michael Kennedy, had this to say, "La Lumiere's continued success against schools five and six times its size reveals an extraordinary level of determination and dedication on behalf of our students and staff involved in the Science Olympiad. I am very proud of them."

La Lumiere School students compete to qualify for a spot on the School's Science Olympiad team. Through classroom activities, research and training, the team prepares for district, regional and state tournaments. La Lumiere has competed successfully at local, regional, and state levels for the past 17 years. La Lumiere School's medal results are as follows:

First Place Medals

Astronomy – Luke Tang & Drew Yarger

Cell Biology – Bobby Bartels & Shubhra Murarka

Forensics – Shubhra Murarka & Luke Tang

Fossils – Christian Allen & Anule Ndukwu

Remote Sensing – Alexa Hicks & Drew Yarger

Second Place Medals

Experimental Design – Andy Bartels, Shubhra Murarka, & Drew Yarger

Mission Possible – Trevor Grieger & John Westbrook

Technical Problem Solving – Trevor Grieger & Derek Luo

Anatomy & Physiology – Adnan Ahmed & Justin Knoll

Cell Biology – Asher Igra & Justin Knoll

Egg-o-naut – Hans Guentert

It's About Time – Jin-uk Heo & Asher Igra

Third Place Medals

Anatomy & Physiology – McKenzie O'Brien & Neathie Patel

Dynamic Planet – Bobby Bartels & Mike Spaeth

Elevated Bridge – Andy Bartels

It's About Time – Derek Luo & Ryan Worl

Ornithology – Bobby Bartels

Physics Lab – Trevor Grieger & McKenzie O'Brien

Trajectory – Mike Spaeth & Ryan Worl

Write it-Do it – Shubhra Murarka & Neathie Patel

Fourth Place Medals

Chemistry Lab – Christian Allen & Dereck Luo

Disease Detective – Christian Allen & Anule Ndukwu

Egg-o-naut – Mike Spaeth & Ryan Worl

Mousetrap Vehicle – Christian Allen & John Westbrook

Elevated Bridge – Hans Guentert

Picture This – Adnan Ahmed & Justin Knoll

Technical Problem Solving – Adnan Ahmed & Jin-uk Heo

About Science Olympiad

Science Olympiad is a national organization that strives to promote and improve student interest in science and to improve the quality of K-12 science education throughout the nation. Its vision is to:

- Create a passion for learning through the organization of tournaments.
- Improve the quality of K-12 science education throughout the nation by changing the way science is perceived and the way it is taught (with an emphasis on problem solving and hands-on, minds-on constructivist learning practices).
- Celebrate and recognize the outstanding achievement of both students and teachers in the areas of science and technology.
- Promote partnerships among community, businesses, industry, government and education.

About La Lumiere School

La Lumiere is a coeducational lay Catholic boarding and day school with 189 students that provides a comprehensive college preparatory education for qualified young men and women from a rich diversity of backgrounds. La Lumiere School is accredited by the **Independent Schools Association of the Central States (ISACS)**, a membership organization of 230 independent schools from the Midwest. La Lumiere is situated on a beautiful rural estate, 25 miles west of South Bend, 60 miles east of Chicago, and 8 miles from both La Porte and New Buffalo.

More information about La Lumiere School can be found at www.lalumiere.org

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