

WISCONSIN ACADEMIC DECATHLON MOLLY RITCHIE, STATE DIRECTOR



STATE COMPETITION NEWS RELEASE

2016-2017 Theme: World War II

The Wisconsin Academic Decathlon program held its 34th Annual State High School Competition March 2 & 3, 2017 at the Glacier Canyon Conference Center/Wilderness Resort, Wisconsin Dells.

Due to the generosity of our many contributors, the 20 top high school teams from Wisconsin took part in the 2017 State Finals: Bay Port (Howard-Suamico), Deerfield, Durand, Green Bay East, Green Bay Preble, Marathon, Melrose-Mindoro, New Berlin Eisenhower, New Berlin West, New Richmond, Northland Pines, Pewaukee, Rufus King International (Milwaukee), Seymour, Slinger, Sun Prairie, Watertown, Waukesha West, Wilmot Union, and Winneconne. A total of 180 students participated in the event; 125 volunteers assisted. To reach the State Competition, Wisconsin students advanced from the Local and Regional events, having competed with 108 teams.

Centered on the curricular theme of **WORLD WAR II**, students were tested in the following subjects: art, mathematics, music, literature, economics, science, social science, interview, essay, and speech. The two-day competition concluded with the students' participation in the Super Quiz Relay. The Jeopardy-style quiz took place before a live audience of 400+ in the Sandstone Ballroom at the GC Conference Center.

Each team consisted of nine students of varied scholastic ability. Students were divided into an Honor, Scholastic and Varsity category, determined by their A, B and C, or below, grade point average. The program offers the appeal of mental competition to all achievement levels for students in the 9th through 12th grades. Students vied for medals, plaques and trophies, in addition to cash and direct scholarships to Wisconsin institutions of higher learning.

The State Champion is Wilmot Union High School, with a score of 47,034.6. Wilmot captured the Top Team Award in four of the ten subjects: Art, Music, Science and Social Science.

Watertown High School placed second overall and Waukesha West High School earned third place.

Division Winners (the overall State Champ does not place in the Division standings):

Division 1	1 st Place	Watertown H S	45,393.2	
	2 nd Place	Waukesha West H S	44,307.0	
	3 rd Place	Sun Prairie H S	40,573.3	
Division 2	1 st Place	New Berlin Eisenhower H S	42,691.2	
	2 nd Place	New Berlin West H S	40,734.5	
	3 rd Place	Pewaukee H S	40,367.9	
Division 3	1 st Place	Seymour H S	36,144.9	
	2 nd Place	Northland Pines H S	33,254.7	
	3 rd Place	Winneconne H S	32,624.7	
Division 4	1 st Place	Marathon H S	37,275.5	
	2 nd Place	Durand H S	36,191.8	
	3 rd Place	Melrose-Mindoro H S	35,391.4	
Super Quiz Relay Winners:		1 st Place Watertown H S 8	Watertown H S & Wilmot H S (tie)	
		2 nd Place Sun Prairie H S	& Waukesha West H S (tie)	
		3 rd Place New Berlin Wes		

The Overall State Champion has earned the right to compete at the National Finals in Madison, April 20-22, 2017.

As a USAD Division winner, Sun Prairie, Watertown, and Marathon High Schools have earned the opportunity to represent Wisconsin in the National Online Competition, occurring simultaneously with the event in Madison.

Earning a perfect score in both Art and Literature is Cameron Chyla of Waukesha West. Cameron broke the State Record in Literature and tied the State Record in Art.

Madison, WI is host to the 2017 USAD National Competition on April 20-22.

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