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Team of Montgomery Blair High School Magnet Students Place in University of Maryland Chemistry Competition

Silver Spring, MD—A team of six Montgomery Blair High School Science, Mathematics, and Computer Science Magnet Program students took third place overall at the twenty-sixth annual Chemathon held at the University of Maryland at College Park on April 24. This competition is for Washington metropolitan area high school chemistry students and is organized by a committee of local high school chemistry teachers and chemists. The goal of the competition is to provide a chance for a large number of high school students to use information and skills learned in the classroom in a fun, lightly competitive environment. The activities are designed to be enjoyable, educational, and rewarding. Chemathon is hosted by the University of Maryland at College Park Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry.

This year 40 teams representing 28 high schools entered the competition. Besides taking third place overall, the Blair team placed in the top five in half of the day's ten events, including a healthy first place win in "Chemical Jeopardy." During the past five years, Blair has been one of the five highest scoring teams each year that it has entered the competition.

The 2010 Blair team is composed of captain Deepa Chellappa, Shilpa Kannan, Kristen Rosano, and Devin Zhang of Potomac, Mario Choi of Silver Spring, and Pin Joe Ko of Rockville. Blair teacher Eric Prange serves as team sponsor.

About The Montgomery Blair High School Magnet Foundation

This organization was founded by a group of concerned students, teachers, administrators, parents, and alumni in 2008. Its purpose is to promote science, mathematics, and computer science education by supporting the Magnet Program at Montgomery Blair High School in its efforts to develop resources and refine practices needed to provide a rigorous and enriched education for students, staff, and the community at large. The Foundation is incorporated in the state of Maryland and is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization.

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