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Montgomery Blair High School Magnet Team Wins First Place in Computing Contest

Silver Spring, MD—A team of four students from the Montgomery Blair High School Science, Mathematics, and Computer Science Magnet Program won the high school division of the TeraGrid'10 student-programming contest. This academic conference on high performance computing took place in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania on August 2-5.

Upon arrival to the contest, students attended a day of seminars on relevant topics and were given a set of problems to complete in a 24-hour period. The winning team was comprised of Jacob Hurwitz of Rockville, David Kaufman and Lori Kaufman of Chevy Chase, and Charlie Pasternak of Bethesda. In addition, on two of the programming problems the team captured the high score among all high school, undergraduate, and graduate teams participating. A second team of Blair Magnet students, including Andrew Das Sarma of Potomac, Frederic Koehler of Silver Spring, Scott Lawrence of Kensington, James Shepherdson of Bethesda, and David Tolnay of Rockville, also competed.

Attendance by both of these teams was made possible through a National Science Foundation grant. Susan Ragan, retired Blair Magnet teacher and Montgomery Blair High School Magnet Foundation board member, coached the teams and accompanied them to the competition.

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

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