



IWA Academic Achievements

2008-2009

Art

Lifeworks Art and Essay Contest

2nd place winner: Alexis Nieszczur

Padua Art Show

3 First Place Winners:

Jamie Campean

Olenka Tymosch

Alexandria Zanowick-Marr

Honorable Mention:

Kaitlyn Kreeger

Math

MathCounts

State Qualifier Competition

Congratulations to all of the students that participated in the MathCounts Competition. The team of Kelly Haller, Anamika Veeramani, Cara Smith and Sean Bush came in 1st place out of 14 teams in the Countdown Round. The entire MathCounts team came in 3rd place overall and Anamika qualified to go to the state competition.

State Competition

The State MathCounts Competition is a compilation of teams and students that excelled at the chapter levels of MathCounts. The contest is designed to single out the students that have exceptional critical thinking and higher level math skills. Congratulations to Anamika Veeramani who placed 48th out of 200 students.

Math continued

Catholic School Math League

Grade 8 placed: 1st place district, 1st place regional, 7th place nationally

Anamika Veeramani placed first regionally

Grade 7 placed: 1st place district, 1st place regional, 8th place nationally

Greater Cleveland Council Teacher of Mathematics

1st place winners: grades 7 & 8

St. Edward High School Math Classic



On Saturday February 21st, sixty 7th and 8th graders participated in the St. Edward's Math Classic. 21 schools were represented with a total of 447 students participating. Incarnate Word Academy came in FIRST PLACE in both the 7th and 8th grade divisions.

Anamika Veeramani placed first in the 7th grade division. Kelly Haller took a second place overall finish and Adam Abele a third overall finish in the 8th grade division. Emily Rogers (2nd place) and Sara Hurley's (3rd place) scores were averaged with Anamika to produce the FIRST PLACE award for 7th grade. Alyssa Holley's (3rd place) score averaged with Kelly and Adam's scores to get the FIRST PLACE award in the 8th grade. "All 60 students behaved admirably and I was very proud of them. The best part of my day was when Maria Mangione leaned over and said, "This is so much fun!" She said it even before the results were tabulated." -Mrs. Puin

Music

Ohio Music Education Assoc Solo and Ensemble Contest

IWA received 14 Superior Ratings and 12 Excellent Ratings

Science

Highlights



- Cleveland City Club honors IWA's Science Program
- 6th grader Maureen Rakovec took second place nationally in her poster contest for National Chemistry Week.
- Students in grades 7-8, participated in various science fair competitions through the state of Ohio

2009 Science Fair Information

56th Annual Northeast Ohio Science & Engineering Fair (NEOSEF) John Carroll University

Over 600 hundred student contestants from Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, Medina, Portage, and Summit Counties participated in this year's fair.

Awards and Recognition:

Hannah Andryszczyk

2nd place in Earth/space and a special award from Cleveland Regional Council of Science Teachers

Sean Bush

2nd place Human Health and a special award from Cleveland Clinic - Children's Hospital

Kelly Haller

1st place environmental science and special awards from Cleveland Regional Council of Science Teachers Discovery Education & 3M Young Scientist Challenge and International Sustainable World Project Olympiad

Andrew Halter

2nd place Behavioral Science

Cara Smith

2nd place Environmental Science and special awards from American Society of Civil Engineers Association for Women Geoscientists Discovery Education & 3M Young Scientist Challenge National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Ohio Water Environment Association and Western Cuyahoga Audubon Society

Rachel Yurchisin

2nd place Environmental Science (medal, ribbon, \$25) and a special award from Air and Waste Management Association - Northern Ohio Chapter

Kim Cook

2nd place Medicine/Health

Max Ekey

2nd place Environmental

Lexie Nieszczur

2nd place Environmental



Science Fair continued

Kevin Pucci

2nd place Earth/Space Science

Anamika Veeramani

Grand Prize: Biology and special awards from 1st place Human Health
Cleveland Clinic - Dept of Pathobiology Cleveland Regional Council of Science

Teachers

Discovery Education & 3M Young Scientist Challenge

Christian Zuber

2nd place Physics

This year's 61st annual Western Reserve Science Day, sponsored by the Ohio Academy of Science was hosted by the following Universities:

**denotes Superior Rating*

District 4-Ashland University

March 28, 2009

Incarnate Word Academy received the
Outstanding School Award

Student Representatives:

- *Sean Bush
- *Kim Cook
- *Kelly Haller
- *Erika Klek
- *Alyssa Holley



District 5- University of Akron

March 21, 2009

Incarnate Word Academy received the Outstanding School Award.

Student Representatives:

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| *Anne Brennan | *Rachael Yurchisin |
| Kyle Driscoll | Christian Zuber |
| Max Ekey | Jessica Thomas |
| *Andrew Halter | Josh Satory |
| John Kilbane | Nick Micheli |
| Allyson Kirsh | *Max Ozimek |
| *Shannon O'Brien | |

Science Fair continued

District 15-Youngstown University

March 28, 2009

Student Representatives:

Kevin Pucci

*Cara Smith

*Anamika Veeramani

District 4, 5 and 15 Awards and Recognition

Sean Bush: WIL Research Award

Kim Cook: Governor's Award for Excellence in Information Science and Technology

Kyle Driscoll: Best Health/Nursing-related Project Award from Ohio Nurses Association

Max Ozimek: Award from American Water Works Association

Kevin Pucci: Honorable Mention for the Ohio Water Environmental Science Award

Cara Smith: Best in Category, Governor's Award for Excellence in Water Resources Research, The Ohio NESOWEA Ohio Water Environmental Science Award, Youngstown State University Outstanding Achievement Award, Congressman Tim Ryan Outstanding Achievement Award, The Industrial Information Institute for Education Inc. Award

Rachel Yurchisin: Governor's Award for Litter Prevention in Recycling Research

Anamika Veeramani: Best of Show

State Competition

Ohio State University

In addition, the following students advanced to the **State Competition** in May where 1,200 middle and high school students from around all around Ohio competed for \$2.4 million in awards and prizes. We received seven Superior Ratings and numerous awards.

*Anne Brennan

*Sean Bush

*Kim Cook

*Kelly Haller

Andrew Halter

Erika Klek

Shannon O'Brien

*Max Ozimek

*Cara Smith

Rachel Yurchisin

*Anamika Veeramani

Science Fair continued

State Awards and Recognition

Kelly Haller:

- First Place: UD ETHOS (Engineers in Technical Humanitarian Opportunities of Service Learning)
Appropriate Technology Award

For: Best project to address local or global community needs, empower communities, including research into societal, cultural, economic, and environmental impact of science and technology

- Governor's Award for Excellence in Environmental Protection Research

For: Excellence in the scientific study of environmental protection or management issues relevant to Ohio

Max Ozimek:

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Cara Smith:

- First Place: Peter G. Finke Water Management Award

For: Outstanding projects demonstrating knowledge or investigations of water management principles and practices

Anamika Veeramani

- Osteopathic Medical Award for outstanding project

Rachael Yurchisin

- Governor's Award for Excellence in Agricultural and Food Science Research
- Cleveland Museum of Natural History's Outstanding Naturalist Award

International Sustainable World Energy, Engineering and Environmental Project Olympiad

Texas

52 countries participated

2nd Place Winner silver medal: Kelly Haller

Scholarships

8th Grade Scholarships from area High School

As of June 4, 2009 \$69,050.00 has been awarded to the graduating class of 2009.

Over 41% of the eighth grade class received high school scholarships

8th Grade Scholarships from IWA Organizations

The IWA Athletic Association, Music Boosters, Parent Teacher Student Union and Student Council awarded 13 eighth grade students special scholarships.

Service

Cleveland Cavalier All-Star Kid



Max Ozimek was selected as a Cleveland Cavaliers All-Star Kid.

This award recognizes students in Northeast Ohio for setting a positive example for their peers, both in and out of the classroom.

Pay it Forward

Pay it Forward, the student led seventh grade service group, raised over \$13,000 that was distributed to 20 local charities and organizations.

Spelling

"Win with Words" Spelling Competition Magnificat High School



Incarinate Word Academy received the award for First Place School overall.

Nicole Rogers competed in the Merit division and received third place. Kelly Haller and Anamika Veeramani competed in the Championship division. Anamika received first place, and Kelly received second place.

Spelling Continued

"Win with Words" Spelling Competition

St. Edward High School

The Boys' Spelling Team won the St. Edward Win with Words Spelling Competition. Joe Kooplukkattu, Joe Mazhuvanchery, Vetri Ravichandran and Nick Micheli represented IWA in the Championship Division in which Joe Kooplukkattu finished in first place for the second year in a row. Competing in the Excellence Division were Vinh Trinh, Jack O'Brien and Mason Mocho. Brendan Thies competed in the Merit Division. Kevin Pucci, Khoa Trinh and Joseph Unger rounded out the team.

Scripps Spelling Bee Competition

Washington D.C.

The Plain Dealer held the Cuyahoga County Scripps Spelling Bee Saturday, March 7, 2009. Anamika Veeramani represented IWA, competing against entrants from 71 other schools. Anamika won the coveted first place position in the eighteenth round with the winning word *olivaceous*, [ol-uh-vey-shuhs] an adjective meaning a deep shade of green, olive.

Anamika represented Cuyahoga County and Incarnate Word Academy at the Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington D.C in May and competed against 293 spellers from all over the world. Anamika did a fantastic job and advanced to the Championship Finals in the spelling bee where she finished 5th.

Social Studies

National Geographic Geography Bee:

Seventh grader, Aditya Singh, qualified to represent IWA at the state finals competition of the National Geographic Geography Bee. The competition was held on Friday, April, 3 in Mansfield. Aditya was our IWA school winner and took a written test to qualify. The top 100 scores from all over the state of Ohio were invited to compete at the state tournament.

Classroom of Champions



Eighth grade students, Alyssa Holley, Kyle Driscoll and C.J. Rolnicki represented IWA in the St. Edward Classroom of Champions. They won for the month of February and competed in the finals in May.

Writing

Daughters of the American Revolution Essay Contest

7th grade:

1st place winner: Sara Hurly

2nd place winner: Anamika Veeramani

6th grade:

1st place winner: Maria Churavy

2nd place winner: Courtney Bush

Lifeworks Art and Essay Contest:

Essay Winners-

Grade 6:

2nd Place Winner: Abigail Halter

Honorable Mention: Ellie Berchak

Grade 7:

Honorable Mention: Annie Brennan

Grade 8:

3rd Place: Melanie Ziemnik

Honorable Mention: Alyssa Holley

Honorable Mention: Victoria Pelagalli

Patriot's Pen Contest

1st Place Winner: Anamika Veeramani

3rd Place Winner: Kelly Haller

Learn more about IWA...

We invite you to learn more about Incarnate Word Academy and meet our faculty and students.

Shadow Opportunities:

Please call to schedule a Shadow Opportunity

Kindergarten Preview Day:

January date to be determined. For additional information please contact the IWA School Secretary, Diane Owens at dowens_iwa@yahoo.com

Open House:

Sunday, January 31, 2009

12:00-3:00 p.m.

Please visit us on our website for the latest information www.incarnatewordacademy.org or call 440.842.6818