

# **News Release**

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#### Top students, schools earn academic accolades at 31st Annual Quest Competition

*March 8, 2017 ...* Students from 37 public schools throughout the tri-county area battled for top honors at the 31st Annual Quest Academic Competition held today at Trident Technical College.

Students participated in four levels of competition: Level I-grade 6, Level II-grades 7-8, Level III-grades 9-10 and Level IV-grades 11-12. Students competed and earned points in team competitions in math, science and social studies, and in individual competitions in composition, public speaking and visual arts. Schools whose students earned the most total points won overall awards at each level. Special competitions that did not contribute points toward the overall awards were held in automotive, computer-aided design, computer programming, culinary, French, horticulture, Spanish, video/film and welding.

Overall awards were given to 12 schools. At Level I (grade 6) Rollings Middle School of the Arts won first place, Gregg Middle School placed second and Sangaree Middle School finished in third place. At Level II (grades 7-8) Thomas C. Cario Middle School took top honors, while Buist Academy for Advanced Studies and Rollings Middle School of the Arts tied for second place. At Level III (grades 9-10) Ashley Ridge High School won first place, Academic Magnet High School placed second and Goose Creek High School finished in third place. At Level IV (grades 11-12) Academic Magnet won first place, Ashley Ridge High School placed second and Cane Bay High School took third place.

Approximately 1,000 students participated in this year's Quest. The competition was developed by TTC to promote academic excellence, provide an academic challenge to students, and recognize top students, teachers and schools.

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**Editor's Note:** A list of individual, team and overall school winners is attached. Photographs of overall school winners are also attached or may follow in separate emails.

# **2017 Quest Competition Winners**

Level I (Grade 6)				
Composition (Individual Competition)				
First Place	Marrington Middle School of the Arts	Madalynn Morse		
Second Place	Fort Johnson Middle School	Margaret Moore		
Third Place	St. Stephen Middle School	Langston Reed		
Mathematics (Tea	m Competition)			
First Place	Rollings Middle School of the Arts	Dmitri Robinson, Trey Bass, Evan O'Neill		
Second Place	Charleston County School of the Arts	Angela Mei, Boris Pekar, Tyler Caplea		
Third Place	Sangaree Middle School	Karen Ni, Juan De La Cruz, Alan Rick		
Public Speaking (	Individual Competition)			
First Place	Charleston County School of the Arts	Isabel Gray		
Second Place	St. Stephen Middle School	Angelina Wall		
Third Place	Oakbrook Middle School	Jalil Harris		
Science (Team Competition)				
First Place	Rollings Middle School of the Arts	Dillon Rowe, Ethan Jones, Drew Goodman		
Second Place	Sangaree Middle School	Olivia Blaisdell, Wilson Davenport, Ryan Krzysik		
Third Place	Hanahan Middle School	Aleeza Shah, Cooper Franklin, Gage Holland		
Social Studies (Te	eam Competition)			
First Place	Gregg Middle School	Braedon Gehring, Tommy Jenkins, Collin Berghoff		
Second Place	Alston Middle School	Joseph Debney, Sebastian Thomas, Olivia Campeau		
Third Place	Hanahan Middle School	Justin Feigt, Alexis Ring, Tori Witke		
Visual Arts (Individual Competition)				
First Place	Macedonia Middle School	Dalvin Hamilton		
Second Place	Fort Johnson Middle School	Zoe Luczaj		
Third Place	Macedonia Middle School	Fiona Thomas		
Overall				
First Place	Rollings Middle School of the Arts			
Second Place	Gregg Middle School			
Third Place	Sangaree Middle School			

Level II	(Grades	7-8)
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#### Composition (Individual Competition)

First Place Michelle Sauceda St. Stephen Middle School

Second Place Oakbrook Middle School Olivia Frank

Third Place Sarah Stoddart Hanahan Middle School

#### Mathematics (Team Competition)

Claire Gaddy, Preston First Place **Buist Academy for Advanced Studies** 

Sessoms, Asher Wallen

Ashley Fister, Adam Swanson, Moultrie Middle School Second Place

Ethan Onellette

Annabelle McIlwain, Third Place Thomas C. Cario Middle School

Jaehyeong Kim, Kayla Bolling

#### Public Speaking (Individual Competition)

First Place Oakbrook Middle School Naman Satsangi

Second Place Oakbrook Middle School Reico Harris

Third Place Thomas C. Cario Middle School Isabelle Turner

#### Science (Team Competition)

Ethan Herman, Cooper First Place Rollings Middle School of the Arts

Scherer, Trey Evans

Emma Rashke, Jack Slayden, Thomas C. Cario Middle School Second Place

Chase Snoots

Maya Pai, Gar Fowler, Elias Third Place **Buist Academy for Advanced Studies** 

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#### Social Studies (Team Competition)

David Varnado, Allen Bi, First Place Charleston County School of the Arts

Jackson Bryant

Connor Burrill, Parker Byrne, Second Place Thomas C. Cario Middle School

Patrick Young

Sophia Butcher, Amelia Third Place Rollings Middle School of the Arts Butcher, Marley Bassett

#### Visual Arts (Individual Competition)

Moultrie Middle School First Place Issy Good

Second Place Charleston County School of the Arts Mia Lassiter

Third Place Fort Johnson Middle School Aidan Wunderley

#### Overall

First Place Thomas C. Cario Middle School

Second Place (tie) Buist Academy for Advanced Studies

Second Place (tie) Rollings Middle School of the Arts

Level	III (G	rade	s 9-1	0

First Place James Island Charter High School Alex Kuffel-Barbanel

Second Place Ashley Ridge High School Hailey Taylor
Third Place Fort Dorchester High School Faith Ward

Mathematics (Team Competition)

First Place Academic Magnet High School James Staubes, Allison Li,

Maria Lutas

Second Place Ashley Ridge High School Meg Panor, Marissa Beighley,

Cameron May

Third Place Stratford High School Samuel Cho, Jared Heckman,

Elisa Lin

Public Speaking (Individual Competition)

First Place Wando High School Samantha Feeney
Second Place Hanahan High School Madison Catlin
Third Place Ashley Ridge High School Jackson Barnard

Science (Team Competition)

First Place Academic Magnet High School Dillon Ranwala,

Razeen Basunia, Cade Bitting

Second Place Ashley Ridge High School Dahlia Halabi, Selena Halabi,

Brian Mageau

Third Place Wando High School Spencer Margosia,

Jolia Austin, Katie Mina

Social Studies (Team Competition)

First Place Ashley Ridge High School Gavin Hunt, Konrad Knaak,

Ethan Williams

Second Place Goose Creek High School Ben Arralas, Mario Flores,

Jaylen Gascey

Third Place Wando High School Daniel Kalus, Robert Lunn

Visual Arts (Individual Competition)

First Place Cane Bay High School Kenza Martin
Second Place Goose Creek High School Kara Hamilton
Third Place Ashley Ridge High School Nicole Ammerall

**Overall** 

First Place Ashley Ridge High School

Second Place Academic Magnet High School

Third Place Goose Creek High School

Level IV	(Grades	11-12)
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#### Composition (Individual Competition)

First Place Ashley Ridge High School Hailey Holmes
Second Place James Island Charter High School Hannah Kolzer
Third Place Hanahan High School Andrea Heyward

#### Mathematics (Team Competition)

First Place Academic Magnet High School John Staubes, Michael Pi,

Jenny Yao

Second Place Ashley Ridge High School Alexander Harriman, Jacob

Swartz, Corey Kubat

Third Place Wando High School Dylan Smith, Jarrod Bohr

#### Public Speaking (Individual Competition)

First Place Ashley Ridge High School Jeremiah Williams
Second Place Fort Dorchester High School Jordan Howell
Third Place Summerville High School Heather Harper

#### Science (Team Competition)

First Place Academic Magnet High School Anna Smirnova,

Anna Tavormina, Sarah Zhang

Second Place Hanahan High School Christian Ellwood,

Timothy Hartzog, Hunter King

Third Place Summerville High School James Grant,

Jennifer Smith-Pickereign

#### Social Studies (Team Competition)

First Place Academic Magnet High School Grace Ford-Dioks, Sara

Moussa, Indiria Kanginakudru

Second Place Cane Bay High School Caleb Todd, Andrew Craig,

Ryan Hamill

Third Place Wando High School Erik Ferreira, Peyton McKellips

#### Visual Arts (Individual Competition)

First Place Cane Bay High School Maddison Mizzell
Second Place Goose Creek High School Kat Wilkerson
Third Place James Island Charter High School Nancy Sterrett

#### **Overall**

First Place Academic Magnet High School
Second Place Ashley Ridge High School
Third Place Cane Bay High School

Special Competition	ons (Grades 9-12)			
Automotive (Individ	dual Competition)			
First Place	Wando High School	Myles Hawes		
Second Place	Wando High School	Evan Darling		
Third Place	Stratford High School	Matthew Sams		
Computer-aided Do	esign (Individual Competition)			
First Place	Fort Dorchester High School	Jonathan Hutchison		
Second Place	Hanahan High School	Will Zeigler		
Third Place <b>TIE</b>	Stratford High School	Jayden Follet		
	Hanahan High School	James Jackson		
Computer Program	nming (Team Competition)			
First Place	Fort Dorchester High School	Max Herold, Tyler Jones		
Second Place	Stratford High School	Quing Yu Lin, Adeem Mawani, Joshua Smith		
Third Place	Wando High School	Malcolm Baldwin, Andrew Forrester, Oscar Garcia		
Culinary (Team Co	mpetition)			
First Place	Ashley Ridge High School	Megan Stock, Guadalupe Villasenor, Emily Wiggins		
Second Place	Stratford High School	Aolani Carrasquillo, Kayla Pina Gomez, Hailey Watson		
Third Place	Fort Dorchester High School	Ahlexus Harper, Cary Martinette, Kalista Stasik		
French I (Individual	Competition)			
First Place	Academic Magnet High School	Abigail Keating		
Second Place	Academic Magnet High School	Katherine Radovanovic		
Third Place	James Island Charter High School	Ansley Branson		
French II (Individual Competition)				
First Place	Academic Magnet High School	Adriana Ballinger		
Second Place	Academic Magnet High School	Garrett Kelly		
Third Place	James Island Charter High School	Daniel Feagin		
Horticulture (Individual Competition)				
First Place	Wando High School	Addison Braswell		
Second Place	Wando High School	Paul Millar		
Third Place	Wando High School	Nora Fitzgerald		

#### Spanish I (Individual Competition)

First Place Academic Magnet High School Josephine Drake
Second Place Academic Magnet High School Carson Goodier

Third Place Ashley Ridge High School Eric Jasso

#### Spanish II (Individual Competition)

First Place Academic Magnet High School Qian Chang
Second Place Cane Bay High School Genesis Chavez
Third Place Academic Magnet High School William Kronsberg

#### Video/Film (Team Competition)

First Place Hanahan High School Jarrid King, Marlee Stultz, Shalyn Beasley, Alli Miller

Second Place Stratford High School Destinee Easley

Third Place Wands High School Jenna Sulkowski,

Third Place Wando High School Selena Colon, Sydney Register

#### Welding (Individual Competition)

First Place Dorchester County Career & Technology Center Dillon Poe
Second Place Goose Creek High School Tyler Neely
Third Place Goose Creek High School Matthew Dautry

### Overall Level I, First Place — Rollings Middle School of the Arts



(*L-R, front row*) Evan O'Neill, Kinsley Sorensen, Trey Bass, Dmitri Robinson, Avery Carraher; (*L-R, back row*) Marlene Lemon (coach), Dillon Rowe, Ethan Jones, Drew Goodman, Amy Nguyen, Gabrielle Christensen, Christi Brinson.

# Overall Level I, Second Place — Gregg Middle School



(L-R) Olivia Wildes, Katie Daniels, Joshua Walker, Aubrey Boyle, Brooke Busser

### Overall Level I, Third Place — Sangaree Middle School



(L-R, front row) Ryan Krzysik, Olivia Blaisdell, Wilson Davenport; (L-R, back row) Suzanne Hall, Jessica Sanders, Juan De La Cruz, Alan Rick, Karen Ni, Brenda Mackall, Regina Fox

### Overall Level II, First Place — Thomas C. Cario Middle School



(L-R, front row) Natalie Shay, Isabelle Turner, Emma Raschke, Elisa Lo; (L-R, back row) Patrick Young, Kayla Bolling, Annabelle McIlwain, Chase Snoots, Parker Byrne, Jack Slayden

# Overall Level II, Second Place (tie) — Buist Academy for Advanced Studies



(L-R) Asher Wallen, Claire Gaddy, Preston Sessoms, Maya Pai

### Overall Level II, Second Place (tie) — Rollings Middle School of the Arts



(L-R, front row) Katharine Jackson, Marley Bassett; (L-R, back row) Sophia Butcher, Amelia Butcher, Ethan Herman, Trey Evans, Cooper Scherer

# Overall Level III, First Place — Ashley Ridge High School



(*L-R, front row*) Dahlia Halabi, Selena Halabi, Meg Panor; (*L-R, back row*) Megan Fluent, Marissa Beighley, Brian Mageau, Gavin Hunt, Ethan Williams, Konrad Knaak

# $Overall\ Level\ III,\ Second\ Place\ --\ Academic\ Magnet\ High\ School$



(L-R) Razeen Basunia, Abby Keating, Katherine Radovahovic, James Staubes, Dillon Ranwala

### Overall Level IV, First Place — Academic Magnet High School



(*L-R, front row*) Jenny Yao, Anna Smirnova, Sara Moussa, Ali DeLambo; (*L-R, back row*) Indira Kanginakudru, Grace Ford-Dirks, Hannah Martin, Anna Tavormina, John Staubes, Sarah Zhang, Qian Chang-Gallo

### Overall Level IV, Second Place — Ashley Ridge High School



(*L-R, front row*) Guadalupe Gonzalez, Megan Stock, Hailey Holmes, Emily Loehrke, Jeremiah Williams; (*L-R, back row*) Abbey Alexander, Corey Kubat, Jacob Swartz, Alexander Harriman, Cade Fluent

# Overall Level IV, Third Place — Cane Bay High School



(L-R) Maddison Mizzell, Rebecca Palmer, Mariana Uvalle, Genesis Chavez