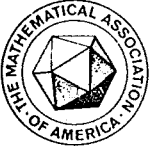


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To: M.A.A. Section Secretaries

Re: High ranking contestants in the 36th annual William Lowell Putnam
Mathematical Competition

Many sections of the M.A.A. give prizes to their best entrants in the Putnam Competition. This may be in the form of paid membership in the M.A.A. If funds are not available for this purpose in the section, application for assistance may be made to the M.A.A. Committee on Sections.

The National Office of the M.A.A. has been awarding one year memberships to the Top Five in the Putnam Competition. If any of the Top Five are in your section, you may prefer not to duplicate this award.

To facilitate the awarding of section prizes, we are enclosing information on the top contestants attending colleges and universities in your section. Please note that ranks are in inverse order to the number of points scored, i.e., lowest numbered ranks are the best. Each student with a rank in the range 1 - 211 from your section is included in this report.

On a given line, the rank is given first. Next there is a symbol with the following significance:

P: Top Five (i.e., PUTNAM FELLOW); N: Rank 6 - 9½; H: Rank 11½ - 38
(i.e., Honorable Mention); I: Rank 41 - 100; II: Rank 105-211.

Then the contestant's name, home address, and the month and year of graduation are given. The top contestants are listed in alphabetical order under the name of their school. The name of the supervising professor at the institution is also furnished.

If your section does not have at least 5 contestants in the top 211, we report on your five highest ranking contestants. If you wish additional information in order to give more prizes, please let us know.

We hope that the enclosed information is helpful.

Sincerely,

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