

Press Release.

AMC 2003-2005 Michigan Winners' Celebration

--- Learning Mathematics Through Meaningful Problem Solving
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AMC (the American Mathematics Competitions) is dedicated to strengthening the mathematical capabilities of our nation's youth. In order to achieve this goal, excellence in mathematics should be identified, recognized, and rewarded. At AMC, this is accomplished through a series of national contests called the American Mathematics Contest 8 (AMC 8), the American Mathematics Contest 10 (AMC 10), the American Mathematics Contest 12 (AMC 12), the American Invitational Mathematics Examination (AIME), and the United States of America Mathematical Olympiad (USAMO).

Every year, tens of thousands of Michigan students participate in AMC from hundreds of schools. The Michigan winners of these competitions are recognized by awards and honored by the Governor.

Xxx (name of your student) was one of the winners honored by Governor Granholm. Xxx accepted a Certificate of Tribute from the Governor, on behalf of the citizens of Michigan, at the State Capitol, Lansing, on September 22, 2005.

During the 2003 to 2004 academic year, 12,163 students from 269 schools participated in the AMC competitions. Among them, 314 were AIME qualifiers and 2 were USAMO qualifiers. During the 2004 to 2005 academic year, 11,704 students from 259 schools participated in the AMC competitions. Among them, 332 were AIME qualifiers and 3 were USAMO qualifiers. For the winners of these two academic years, the AMC Coordinator of Michigan section of MAA organized two celebration events for them, their teachers and their parents: an awards ceremony and a reception with the Governor. The Awards Ceremony was held on September 12 at the Department of Mathematics, University of Michigan, with a stimulating mathematical presentation by Professor Brian Conrad. On September 22, Governor Granholm honored the students at the Michigan Capitol Building. The events were funded by AMC and sponsored by the Mathematics Department of the University of Michigan and Art of Problem Solving Foundation.

The current AMC Coordinator of MAA-Michigan is Dr. Ada C. Dong. For further information visit the Michigan MAA AMC Coordinator web site <http://homepage.mac.com/acdong/AMC/welcome.html>. The permanent web site will soon be available at <http://www.michmaa.org>.