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Shaw MS, Mountain View HS Win Washington MESA Day Challenges *Both teams advance to compete in national MESA Day event in Colorado, June 24-27.*

SEATTLE – Shaw Middle School and Mountain View High School won their respective Wind Energy Challenges at the statewide Washington MESA Day competition, Sat., May 22. The event was sponsored by Microsoft and held at the Microsoft Conference Center in Redmond, Wash. Both teams advanced to compete in the national MESA (Math, Engineering, Science Achievement) Day event in Denver, Colo., June 24-27.

Shaw Middle School from Spokane earned the top honor for the middle school competition, while Mountain View High School from Vancouver emerged victorious in the high school competition. They will be among those participating in the MESA USA National Design Competition to be held at the University of Colorado-Denver.

Additional winners were crowned at the Washington MESA Day event in the Math Quest and Bridge Construction competitions. Students from qualifying schools were grouped together in teams, giving them the opportunity to work with students from other schools.

The Math Quest Middle School competition was won by Taylor Dewey-Buchanan, Stanley Compton and Juan Rodriguez. The Bridge Construction Middle School competition was won by Stanley Compton. The Bridge Construction High School competition was won by Jazzmin Brown, Mitchell Cox and Julie Vogel.

Washington MESA, which is a part of the University of Washington’s Office of Minority Affairs and Diversity, builds a pathway to college and careers in STEM fields for students who are underrepresented in these fields: African American, Native American, Latino/a and female students.



Mountain View High School team members with Washington MESA Statewide Director, James Dorsey (center).



Shaw Middle School team members with from left to right, Spokane MESA director Janet Ebaugh, teacher Jessica Gaddy, Spokane MESA coordinator Bethany Coupens and Washington MESA Statewide Director James Dorsey.

2010 Washington MESA Day Competition Winners

Wind Energy Competition – Middle School

First place *Shaw (Spokane)
Second place Salk (Spokane)
Third place... Jason Lee Girls (Southwest Washington/Vancouver)

Wind Energy Competition – High School

First place ... *Mountain View (Southwest Washington/Vancouver)
Second place Shadle Park (Spokane)
Third place Washington (Tacoma)

Math Quest Competition – Middle School

First place Taylor Dewey-Buchanan, Stanley Compton,
..... Juan Rodriguez
Second place Han Man, Maruna Trifonova, Frances Torres
Third place Cassius Johnson, Kelvin Macias, Kaonna Olney

Bridge Construction Competition – Middle School

First place Stanley Compton
Second place Jaya Cross, Emanuel Martinez
Third place Han Man, Kaonna Olney

Bridge Construction Competition – High School

First place Jazzmin Brown, Mitchell Cox, Julie Vogel
Second place Krissy Bicknell, Alejandra Gonzalez,
..... Lawrence Espinoza, Luis Tinajera
Third place Maria Galina, David Lu, Chris Wright, Dakota Butter

**-advances to compete in national MESA Day Competition in Denver, Colo., June 24-27*