



The Lion's Roar

Millennium Charter Academy Events Worth Roaring About

April 2015

Students Proceed to State Level Competition at NCCTM Math Fair

Each spring, the North Carolina Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCCTM) sponsors a

regional math fair. This is an opportunity for students to show their creativity and extend beyond everyday math classroom investigations. Students must submit a board, similar to a science fair board for the competition. Projects are judged on written documentation, oral presentation, and the development and demonstration of mathematical concepts. MCA had two students that participated at the regional level. Dalton Collins and Joey McCormick, both ninth grade students, won third place awards, and are eligible to compete at the state level on May 8.



Dalton Collins and Joey McCormick

Building Bridges at MCA

Three MCA students recently placed second place at a state level competition sponsored by the NC Department of Transportation. This challenge was a spontaneous challenge where students receive nonconventional materials to create the strongest model bridge possible. MCA teams created bridges that held nineteen books, with the first place team's bridge holding only one more book. Designs varied from team to team, but the process helped students better understand the strength of different shapes and configurations. "The competition is designed to create a greater awareness of careers in transportation, construction, engineering and the services provided by NCDOT."

(<http://www.ncdot.gov/programs/BridgeComp/default.html>)



Ryan Wagoner, Oscar Hampton, and Ben Thomason competed and won second place in NCDOT's bridge building competition.

MCA Student Scores Big at Special Olympics

Ashley Cashatt, MCA fifth grade, competed in the special Olympics on Friday, April 24th. Ashley's events were the long jump, 50 meter walk, 100 meter run, softball throw, and standing long jump. Local Special Olympics were held at Mt. Airy High School, and Ashley's "buddy" for the event was Madison Willingham, a former student of MCA.



Ashley Cashatt, MCA 5th grade, stands with her coach and mentor, Mrs. Elizabeth Hubbard, displaying the ribbons she won at Special Olympics.

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