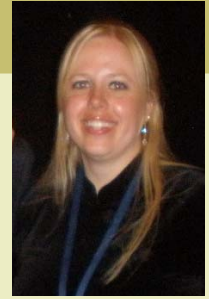


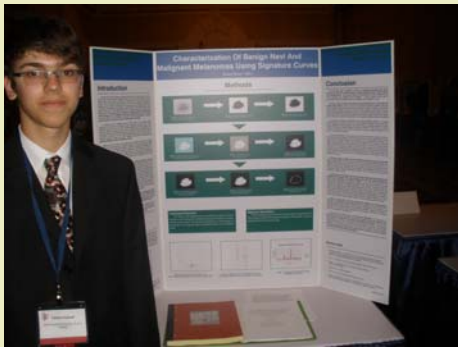
Junior Science & Humanities Symposium



Nationals chaperone Princessa VanBuren-Hansen

About 70 students in grades 9-12 participated in the 43rd annual North Central Regional Junior Science and Humanities Symposium held in Bloomington, MN on March 19 and 20. Five students were named to advance to the National Junior Science and Humanities Symposium competition held in San Diego, CA April 27 to May 1, 2011

Spencer Berglund, Evan Chen, Paimon Pakzad, Naveen Jain and Karin Sather represented the North Central region well. They listened to tremendous speakers from the Office of Naval Research, the Academy of Applied Science, the U.S. Army Research Office, various Universities and academic institutions, and even a former U.S. astronaut! They engaged in career round tables, participated in fascinating local tours, and met dynamic people from around the country. Even now, a few months after returning home, the students continue to engage with their Minnesota friends, and others across the U.S. As they pursue their research interests, undoubtedly they will continue to engage with those they met through this experience.



Paimon Pakzad presenting

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Related Web sites:

North Central Regional Junior Science & Humanities Symposium: <http://www.jshs.mnmas.org>

National Junior Science and Humanities Symposium: <http://www.jshs.org>



Spencer Berglund, Paimon Pakzad, Naveen Jain, Evan Chen, 2 JSJS friends and Karin Sather



Paimon Pakzad, Karin Sather, Spencer Berglund and Evan Chen