

MN Students & the Siemens Competition in Math, Science and Technology

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Devin Ninneman (his study of *The affect of mine drainage on stream macroinvertebrates*), and **Rachel Lisson** (her study titled *The Effect of Space Shuttle Launch Induced g-forces on Soybean Seeds Planted in a Lunar Simulated Soil Treated with Bio-solid—Degree of g-forces Verses Length of Exposure Time—Phase III*) submitted their research paper to the **Siemens Competition in Math, Science and Technology**.

Rachel Lisson was selected as one of five students from Minnesota to advance to the semi-finalist level in the United States!

A second review panel of scientists will chose 30 projects from the three hundred semi-finalists, eight from each of four regions, to present their project and compete for a \$3,000 scholarship.

The mid-west regional competition will be held at the University of Notre Dame, November 10 & 11. The winner of each region will advance to a national competition in December to compete for \$250,000 in scholarships, the top prize is \$100,000.

The Siemens Competition in Math, Science & Technology recognizes remarkable talent early on, fostering individual growth for high school students who are willing to challenge themselves through science research. Through this competition, students have an opportunity to achieve national recognition for science research projects that they complete in high school. It is administered by The College Board and funded by the Siemens Foundation.



Over 9,000 students from all over the United States sent in their research papers. Three hundred students are chosen to be considered semifinalists.

The National Association of Secondary School Principals has placed this program on the NASSP National Advisory List of Student Contests and Activities for 2006-2007.