

Mathematical Mayhem to Bring Local High School Students to Stockton for Competition

Stockton Math Faculty and Students Organize March 21 Math Challenge

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Galloway Township, NJ - Local high school students will solve their way to a math-filled Saturday during the fourth annual Mathematical Mayhem competition on **March 21, 2015** at Stockton University.

Mathematical Mayhem brings high school students to Stockton's campus to compete in individual and team exams that are designed to challenge the students and assess their current skill development. The competition is sponsored by the School of Natural Sciences and Mathematics, Mathematics faculty and students in the Math Club and Pi Mu Epsilon New Jersey Omicron chapter.

The experience "is meant to reduce test anxiety, increase student confidence and provide high school students with an inside view of college life," said Dr. Chia-Lin Wu, associate professor of Mathematics and founder of the competition. The students will be exposed to the challenges of math and will see where they stand among their peers, he added.

Participating high schools can send two teams of three students to compete. The schools registered to participate are Absegami High School, Oakcrest High School, Cedar Creek High School, Mainland Regional High School, Ocean City High School, Middle Township High School, Southern Regional High School, Atlantic County Institute of Technology, Egg Harbor Township High School and Atlantic City High School.

The daylong event includes breakfast and a welcome ceremony (8:30-9:10 a.m.), an individual exam (9:15-10:30 a.m.), a team exam (10:45-12 p.m.), lunch in the N-Wing Student Restaurant and a tour of the campus (12-1:30 p.m.) and a closing awards ceremony (1:45-2:15 p.m.). The exams will be held in lower L-Wing and K-Wing.

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“The number of students and teachers who come out on a Saturday shows their love and passion for math,” said Wu.

The exams were created and will be graded by Stockton Math faculty. Members of the Stockton Math Club will proctor the exams.

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