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WESTERN ANNOUNCES CHEMATHON RESULTS

St. Joseph, Mo. —May 15, 2006—Vacuum cannons, lab experiments and team knowledge competitions were all part of Missouri Western State University's annual chemathon last week. Approximately 600 students from area high school chemistry and physics classes visited campus to participate in the activities. The following students received awards from the competitions.

Written Test:

- Chemistry I, small schools: first, Jordan Tracy, DeKalb High School; second, Tyson Miller, Fairfax High School; third, Adam Nelson, St. Joseph Christian School.
- Chemistry I, medium schools: first, Anthony Hoppins, Mid-Buchanan High School; second, Richard Williams, Platte County; third, Joseph Stull, Chillicothe High School.
- Chemistry I, large schools: first, Brett Stevens, Liberty High School; second, Lillie Raasch, Liberty High School; third, Will Morris, Liberty High School.

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- Chemistry II, large schools: first, Corey Dye, Liberty High School; second, Spencer Kirkland, Liberty High School; third, Bryan Twarek, Oak Park High School.
- Physics: first, Brett Agee, Liberty High School; second, Jonathon Kinate, Oak Park High School; third, Jordan Lane, St. Joseph Christian School.
- Dual Credit: first, John Ahlfield, Liberty High School; second, Grant Berry, Excelsior Springs High School; third, Jeff Baskin, Oak Park High School.

Team Competition:

- Chemistry I, small schools: first, St. Joseph Christian School. Team members include Adam Nelson, Jake Herzog, Hillary Black and Rachel Gregory; second, Fairfax High School. Team members include Michael Graves, Tyson Miller, Michelle Law, Tayne Thompson; third, Northeast Nodaway High School. Team members include Sara Bryant, Samantha Porter, Jessica Henggeler.
- Chemistry I, medium schools: first, Mid-Buchanan High School. Team members include Anthony Hoppins, Luke Rae, Dakota Marti, Colin Pettegrew; second, East Buchanan High School. Team members include Kevin Barber, Amanda Hardwick, Tabatha Phipps, Ryan Tommey; third, Bishop LeBlond High School. Team members include Brian Dow, Andy Mattingly, Katie Schoeneck, Kelly Losson.

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- Chemistry I, large schools: first, North Kansas City High School. Team members include Thanh Le, Michael Grimwade, Amina Forde, Kyle Lehenbauer; second, Oak Park High School. Team members include Sean Dobbins, Andrew Corrao, Samantha Cagle, Betsy Butler; third, Excelsior Springs High School. Team members include Dan Tyler, Serena Baird, Amy Galey, Brittany Allenbrand.
- Chemistry II: first, Oak Park High School; second, Liberty High School; third, Bishop LeBlond High School.
- Physics: first, Liberty High School; second, Oak Park High School; third, Lawson High School.
- Dual Credit: first, Lawson High School. Team members include Drew Bibb, Carl Voglaro, Kevin Polo, Jared Moore; second, Excelsior Springs High School. Team members include Grant Berry, Cristin Hubbard, Adrian Roth, Allyson Swearingin; third, Platte County High School. Team members include Stephen Jackson, Matt Eshnauer, Dylan Barton, Jeremy Forster.

Lab Experiment - Titration of Unknown Acid

- Chemistry II: first, Liberty High School. Team members include Spencer Kirkland, Eric Steffensmeir, Mayme VanMeveren, Chris Smith; second, Oak Park High School. Team members include Bryan Twarek, Matt Wopata, Lee Sleightholm, Jessica Kobby; third, North Kansas City High School. Team members include David Leip, Joanna Kovarik, Kynam Le, Timmy Nguyen.

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Vacuum Cannon

- Physics: Longest Drive – first, Livingston County High School, a chemathon record of 217 feet, 4 inches; second, Worth County High School, 171 feet; third, Lathrop High School, 167 feet, 4 inches.
- Closest to Target: first, Bishop LeBlond, one foot, two inches; second, Excelsior Springs High School, two feet, 10 inches; third, South Harrison High School, at three feet, nine inches.
- Best in Show: Lafayette High School.

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