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Battle of the Scholarly Sixteen: Teams Announced to Vie for 2009 Gallaudet University Academic Bowl Championship

Gallaudet University is set to host the 13th annual National Academic Bowl competition, to be held April 25-28, 2008, on Gallaudet's campus in Washington, D.C. Sixteen teams of deaf and hard of hearing students from across the United States will be arriving on Gallaudet's Kendall Green campus on Saturday, April 25th. The first Academic Bowl match will take place on Sunday, April 26th, at 8:00 a.m. EDT.

This year's national finalists include:

Southeast Region

White Station High School (Memphis, Tennessee)
Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind (St. Augustine, Florida)
South Plantation High School (Plantation, Florida)

Midwest Region

Indiana School for the Deaf (Indianapolis, Indiana)
Minnesota North Star Academy (St. Paul, Minnesota)
Michigan School for the Deaf (Flint, Michigan)

West Region

California School for the Deaf (Fremont, California)
Colorado School for the Deaf and the Blind (Colorado Springs, Colorado)
University High School (Irvine, California)

Mid-Atlantic/At-Large Region

Maryland School for the Deaf (Frederick, Maryland)
W.T. Woodson High School (Fairfax, Virginia)
Monroe #1 BOCES (Rochester, New York)

Northeast Region

New York State School for the Deaf (Rome, New York)

EDCO at Newton North High School (Newtonville, Massachusetts)

Rochester School for the Deaf (Rochester, New York)

New this year is the introduction of one wild card team selected to attend the nationals by winning a sudden-death 20-question quiz competition. The wild card team that will be competing at nationals is the Learning Center School for the Deaf of Framingham, Massachusetts.

Over the course of two days, each team will compete to reach the national final match, which takes place on Monday, April 27th, at 8:15 p.m. EDT. The awards ceremony will take place immediately following the championship match.

This year's national competition will be webcast live by Gallaudet University's media services department, beginning with the third-place match on Monday, April 27th, at 7:15 p.m. EDT. Be sure to check out all of the action on the web; bookmark the official live webcast page at ablive.gallaudet.edu.

For more information about the championship, visit the official Academic Bowl website at ab.gallaudet.edu.

About the Gallaudet University Academic Bowl

Gallaudet University established the Academic Bowl for Deaf and Hard of Hearing High School Students in 1997, with the goal of promoting academic competition among school teams. Quiz tournaments, in which teams of high school students compete against each other in local, regional, and national events, have gained wide popularity among high schools and colleges throughout the country.

At each regional Academic Bowl, teams compete against each other in answering questions on a wide variety of subjects. The first and second place winners from each of the five regions compete in the National Academic Bowl at Gallaudet University in late April.

Beginning with the 2007-2008 competition year, the Academic Bowl program is administered through the Gallaudet University College of Professional Studies and Outreach (CPSO). To learn more about CPSO, please visit us online at cpso.gallaudet.edu.

About Gallaudet University

Gallaudet University, federally chartered in 1864, is a bilingual, diverse, multicultural institution of higher education that ensures the intellectual and professional advancement of deaf and hard of hearing individuals through American Sign Language and English.

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