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## Science Olympians triumph at national competition

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PLAINSBORO -- A team of students from Community Middle School took third place overall at the 34th National Science Olympiad, a scholastic competition held May 18 and 19 at Colorado State University in Fort Collins, Colorado.

The Science Olympiad pits the winners of the regional and state tournaments against one another in a hands-on competition consisting of 23 events that test the teams on their science knowledge.

The Community Middle School students took third place in the Division B category among middle school students, while a team from

West Windsor-Plainsboro North High School in Plainsboro finished in eighth place in Division C for high school students.

Community Middle School and West Windsor-Plainsboro North advanced to the nationals after winning the New Jersey Science Olympiad, held March 15 at Middlesex County College.



Community Middle School students, back, Eric Yang, Allen Chang, Ria Verma, coach Lisa Sacca, Akhil Paulraj, Parth Shastri, Vivek Vajipey and Keshav Ratra; front, Anant Matta, Srinivas Sowmiyanarayanan, Aloha Das, Lawrence Xu, Jason Chang, Arvyn De, Kohav Dantara, Sreyash Singh, Akash Chakka and Kyle Guo, finished third at the National Science Olympiad.