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High school students compete in math tournament at ASU

Sixty high school students from seven different schools were at Albany State University on Feb. 27 to participate in the Mathematics Tournament hosted by the Department of Mathematics & Computer Science. Teams of students from Albany High School, Americus-Sumter High School in Americus, Georgia, Colquitt County High School in Moultrie, Georgia, Deerfield-Windsor, Dougherty County High School, Monroe Comprehensive High School, and Westover Comprehensive High School all took part in the event.

The opening ceremony included remarks from Dr. Obiodun Ojemankinde, vice president for Academic Affairs; Dr. Joyce Johnson, dean of the College of Sciences and Health Professions; Dr. Seyed Roosta, chair of the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science; Dr. Rhonda Porter, chair of the Mathematics Tournament and assistant professor; and Dr. Zephyrinus Okonkwo, professor in the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science.

“This is a very important event to highlight our students’ academic achievements in mathematics and computer science,” Porter said. “Mathematics and computer science are two of the top academic areas in our country. It is vital that they be nurtured, developed, and of course celebrated. It is our duty as educators to spotlight our students’ successes in mathematics and computer science.”

The team winners were:

- First place: Colquitt County High School, Rebecca Croft, adviser
- Second place: Westover High School, Pam Jackson, adviser
- Third place: Deerfield-Windsor High School, Irene Mitchell, adviser

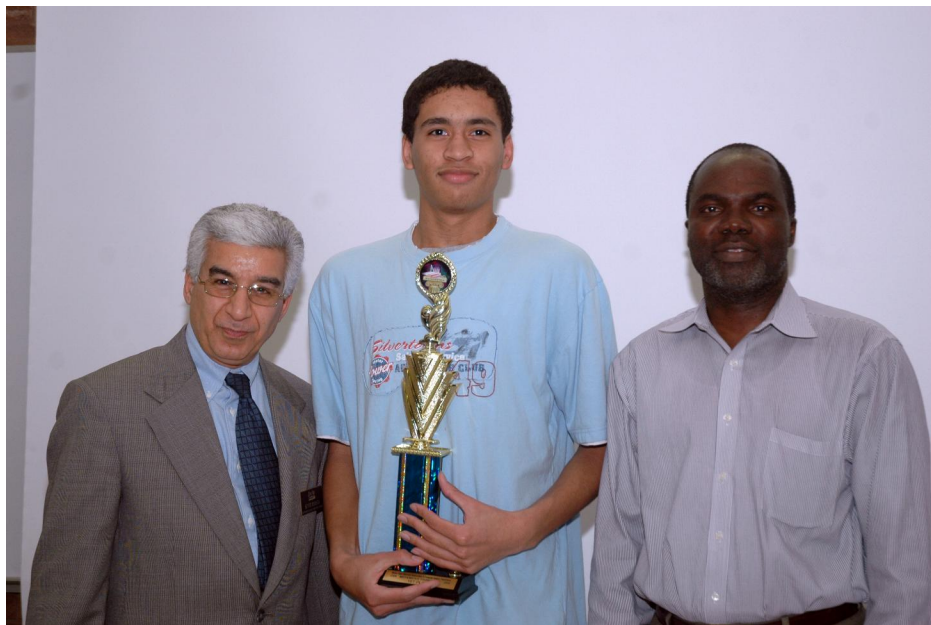
Individual winners were:

- First place: Brian Pinto, 12th grade, Westover High School
- Second place: Amy Taylor, 12th grade, Colquitt County High School
- Third place: Lori Jackson, 11th grade, Colquitt County High School

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The team from Colquitt County High School in Moultrie won first place during the Mathematics Tournament held Feb. 27 at Albany State University. Joining the team members are Dr. Seyed Roosta (far left), associate professor and chair of the ASU Department of Mathematics and Computer Science; Dr. Abiodun Ojemakinde (second from the right), vice president for Academic Affairs; and Dr. Ghunaym Ghunaym, professor of mathematics.



Dr. Seyed Roosta (left), associate professor and chair of the ASU Department of Mathematics and Computer Science and Dr. Abiodun Ojemakinde (right), vice president for Academic Affairs, join first place individual winner Brian Pinto, a 12th-grader at Westover High School.