



Three CVUSD students qualify for California State Science Fair; several others win awards at regional contest

Cal Aero Preserve Academy sixth-grader Alexandra Olivar and the Townsend Junior High eighth-grade team of Wynn Phaychanpheng and Audrey Sogata are advancing to the California State Science Fair after winning first place gold medals in the junior division of the SIM Science and Engineering Fair in San Bernardino last night (April 5).

The State Science Fair will be held April 24 and 25 at the California Science Center in Los Angeles. Only gold medalists in sixth-grade through high school from the regional level move on to State competition.

All three State-bound students also won Broadcom MASTERS awards from the event, identifying them as Math, Applied Science, Technology and Engineering Rising Stars. Society affiliated science fairs around the country nominate the top 10 percent of sixth-, seventh-, and eighth-grade participants to enter this prestigious competition.

Several other Chino Valley Unified School District (CVUSD) students took home awards from the regional contest last night that had 470 participants from San Bernardino, Inyo and Mono counties. The CVUSD winners are:

Sweepstakes Award – Elementary Division (Top project in division)

- Lillian Todd, Cattle Elementary

Gold Medals (first place) – Elementary Division

- Makena Bailey, Wickman Elementary
- Kyra Phaychanpheng, Wickman Elementary

- Lillian Todd, Cattle Elementary

Title Sponsor Award -- \$700 Scholarship, Professional Engineers in California Government (PECG) Award

- John Atkinson, Cal Aero Preserve Academy

Silver Medals (second place)

- Tristen Amers, Magnolia Junior High
- Alexis Michelle Celis, Chaparral Elementary
- Sydney Herrera, Eagle Canyon Elementary
- Samuel Jeyapaul, Eagle Canyon Elementary
- Alexander Kaloyanides, Chino Hills High
- Aidan Kelly, Oak Ridge Elementary
- Alaina Luna, Magnolia Junior High
- Mihir Mandapaka, Wickman Elementary
- Kirsten Nino, Chino Hills High
- Leonardo Park, Chino Hills High
- Elle Scranton, Wickman Elementary

Bronze Medals (third place)

- Nika Capati, Townsend Junior High
- Aubrey Navarro, Liberty Elementary
- Madelyn Pong, Chaparral Elementary
- Drew Stadler, Oak Ridge Elementary
- Kristofer Nino, Townsend Junior High

Community Awards – American Financial Services

- Elle Scranton, Wickman Elementary

Community Award – Mu Alpha Theta

- Leonardo Park, Chino Hills High

Community Award – Si (Metric) Award

- Kirsten Nino, Chino Hills High