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2020 Wolsborn-Drazovich Southwest Regional Math Contest

Western hosted 180 students this year.

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Western Wyoming Community College hosted the 2020 Wolsborn-Drazovich Southwest Regional Math Contest on February 25th in the Rushmore Gym.

One-hundred eighty students, grades 6 through 12 participated in the competition this year. The event is sponsored by TATA Chemicals and Western's Mathematics Department. TATA Chemicals covered some of the costs associated with the event with a generous donation of \$1390.

Participating schools included: Davis Middle School, Evanston High School, Evanston Middle School, Farson-Eden School, Kemmerer Junior/Senior High School, Pinedale High School, Pinedale Middle School, Rawlins Middle School, Rock Springs High School, Black Butte High School, Rock Springs Junior High School, and Star Valley High School.

Evanston High School took top scores for Team A (grades 11 and 12) and Team B (grades 9 and 10). Garet Sharp, from Evanston High School took first individual place in Team A and won a one year full-tuition scholarship to Western.

Team C (grade 8) and Team D (grades 6 and 7) participants used the competition as an excellent exercise to hone their skills as they prepare to compete in the state-ranked A and B teams in the future.

"This year, Western hosted a record number of contestants from the Southwest Region. The Math Department is, once again, delighted to welcome an amazing group of creative problem solvers to our event. The persistence, confidence, and creative thinking that these students showcase during the contest is evident when they complete 50 challenging math problems," said Lusi Stephens, Associate Professor of Mathematics at Western.

Western professors, Lusi Stephens, Math Contest Co-Chair and Associate Professor of Mathematics, and Luke Audette, Math Contest Co-Chair and Instructor of Mathematics, and Katy Ellis, Math Contest Co-Chair and Instructor of Mathematics, organized and hosted the Math Contest. Dragan Skropanic, Josh Marcy, and Sarah Pauley, all Math faculty at Western Wyoming Community College, contributed their time to ensure this event ran smoothly.

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