



## **MEDIA ADVISORY: Students from Hanford High School to compete in National Competition, May 2-5, in Washington, D.C.**

**Competition sparks excitement and raises visibility for math and science students**

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**What:** A national high school battle of wits in math and science. Students buzz in with answers to questions like:

"Saturn gives off extra heat over and above what it receives from the sun. According to astronomers, what is the source of this extra heat?"\*

**Significance:** In March, the Hanford team beat 75 teams from Washington and Oregon to win the Regional High School Science Bowl title in Portland. If Hanford is one of the top four national teams, the students will win a trip to the International School of Physics in Sydney, Australia.

**Why:** The Bonneville Power Administration hosts regional high school science bowls for teams from Washington and Oregon to ignite excitement and show support for students in math, science and technology. Forty-six regional finalists, including the Hanford team, compete against one another at the Department of Energy's National High School Science Bowl in Washington, D.C.

**When:** The students will compete in Washington, D.C., on Sunday, May 4 and Monday, May 5. Local media may interview the students at Hanford High School Tuesday, April 29, at 1:30 p.m., and again at Pasco Airport on the evening of their departure, Wednesday, April 30, at 8:30 p.m.

Before the national competition, the team will meet Washington Representative Richard (Doc) Hastings on the steps of the U.S. Capitol Building on Thursday, May 1, at 10:15 a.m. The students hope to tour the FBI Crime Lab after meeting with Rep. Hastings.

\***Answer:** The precipitation of helium from Saturn's clouds.

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