SEEDS Forest Area Students Head to State Competition for Odyssey of the Mind

On March 5, 2011 the Forest Area SEEDS student team competed in region three’s Odyssey of the Mind tournament. Teams compete in two categories during the tournament. In the first competition, teams work together on a problem throughout the school year. The SEEDS Forest Area team chose the problem “As Good as Gold...berg,” constructing an elaborate piece of equipment for the competition. The problem also included an inventor/marketing theme.

In the second competition, teams are given a problem that they have to solve immediately. For their work, SEEDS Forest Area Middle School earned a bronze medal!

Each Odyssey of the Mind region also presents the Ranatra Fusca Award to the team that best exhibits exceptional creativity in some aspect of presentation or behavior during the competition. The team that wins this most coveted OM award automatically proceeds to the State competition. The SEEDS Forest Area Middle School students won this award for their exceptional creativity during the second competition. They will compete at the state competition on April 16 in Grand Rapids. Winners will go on to compete in the world finals.

Congratulations to the following students who competed on March 5:
- Zack Paulus
- Alex Kammeraad
- Andrea Vallaincourt
- Ben Kammeraad
- Paige Janack
- Cody Kammeraad
- Lane Jones

Thanks and congratulations go out to OM coach, Judy Kammeraad, who volunteered many, many hours to help the students reach their full potential. Parent volunteer, Mark Kammeraad, is also recognized for all his extra work and dedication.

If you are interested in attending the state competition on April 16 at Davenport University in Grand Rapids, please contact Genevieve Pfisterer at genevieve@ecoSEEDS.org.

The Forest Area community should be proud of the hard work and dedication that the team has committed!

Congratulations OM Team!