

# News from the Savannah River Site

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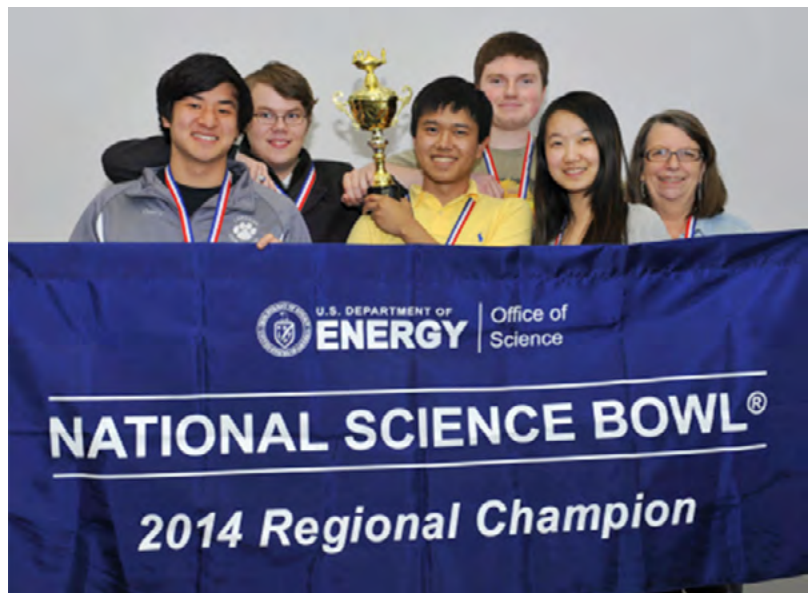
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## 24th Annual Department of Energy National Science Bowl® to be Held April 24 - April 28, 2014

**Washington D.C.** - From April 24 through April 28, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) will host 68 high school and 48 middle school teams as they compete for championship titles at the 24th annual National Science Bowl®. Since January, more than 14,000 students have competed in regional tournaments in which teams of four or five students face-off in a fast-paced question-and-answer format, being tested on a range of science disciplines including biology, chemistry, Earth science, physics, energy, and math.

“The National Science Bowl® is one of the most prestigious annual academic competitions. We congratulate the 116 teams of middle and high school students who have earned a spot in this year’s national finals by finishing in the top four percent of the teams that competed regionally,” said Patricia M. Dehmer, Acting Director for Science Programs in Energy Department’s Office of Science. “We hope the National Science Bowl® nurtures students’ interest in pursuing careers in science and technology fields, helping our nation remain prosperous and competitive in the world.”

The 2014 Savannah River Site – sponsored DOE Science Bowl team from winning team is from Lakeside High School, Evans, Georgia. The Lakeside High School team includes: Gerald Meixiong, Jason Brown, Edward She, Christopher Helmerich, Jessica Ho. The Lakeside team is coached by Charlotte Smith.



*Lakeside High School Science Bowl team of Evans, GA will represent the Savannah River Site at the National Science Bowl: (from left) Gerald Meixiong, Jason Brown, Edward She, Christopher Helmerich, Jessica Ho. The Lakeside team is coached by Charlotte Smith*

Fort Johnson Middle School, of Charleston, will represent South Carolina in the middle school competition.

From Thursday, April 24 through Monday, April 28, the 68 high school teams and 48 middle school teams will face off in the National Finals and will participate in a variety of activities, including an Electric Car Competition for middle school students and science lectures and hands-on activities for high school students.

On Saturday, April 26, the middle school question-and-answer competition begins at the National 4-H Conference Center in Chevy Chase, MD. On Sunday, April 27, the high school question-and-answer competition begins, while the middle school teams will be at the Bethesda Chevy Chase High School in Bethesda, MD, racing model electric cars that they have designed and built. On Monday, April 28, high school and middle school championship rounds will be held in the National Building Museum in Washington, D.C.

DOE created the National Science Bowl® in 1991 to encourage students to excel in mathematics and science and to pursue careers in these fields. Approximately 240,000 students have participated in the National Science Bowl® since its creation. Students may sign up to compete in next year's National Science Bowl® competition beginning in October.

The U.S. Department of Energy's Office of Science manages the National Science Bowl®, and sponsors the National Science Bowl® finals competition. Additional information about the teams and the National Science Bowl® is available at: <http://science.energy.gov/wdts/nsb>.