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Mission

To develop model programs and selfsustaining learning communities that engage students from all backgrounds in doing mathematics at a high level.

Core Programs

Mathworks is a center for innovation in mathematics education at Texas State University. Our core programs are:

- Honors Summer Math Camp
- Junior Summer Math Camp
- Teacher Training
- Curriculum Research & Development

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Fall 2010 News Roundup

This issue of ProofPoints features recent events involving Mathworks program alumni. Read on to find out more about the Siemens Competition, a White House visit by Mathworks students, and more!

2010 Siemens Competition: 4 semifinalists and 5 regional finalists!

As one of the most prestigious research competitions, the Siemens Competition receives over 2,000 entries each year. The first round of results were just announced today! Congratulations to all Honors Summer Math Camp (HSMC) students and research mentors who committed hours of hard work. Four projects, conducted by nine HSMC students, have been recognized by the Siemens Competition. See the list of winning HSMC research projects here.

HSMC alumni and research mentor invited to "White **House Science Fair"**



Sean, Bill Nye "The Science Guy, Dan, and Kevin

A member of the Texas State University System Mathworks newsletter (Siemens Competition results and more!)

Honors Summer Math Camp alumni Kevin Chen, Sean Karson, and Dan Liu were guests at President Obama's "White House Science Fair" on Monday, October 18. The Science Fair celebrated winners of various math and science competitions from across the nation. Read more here.

Kevin, Sean, and Dan conducted a research project during the 2009 HSMC, and won first place overall in the Siemens Competition. Also in attendance was Dr. Jian Shen, the team's research mentor, of the Texas State University mathematics department. Read the White House press release about the Science Fair here.

As part of his White House visit, Dan Liu was interviewed by KUT Austin (NPR news station). Read <u>the transcript here</u>.

HSMC alumni honored at El Paso "Mayor's 100 Teens" banquet



Raven, Abigail, El Paso mayor John Cook, Claudia, and Mary

Five HSMC alumni from El Paso, TX were honored on Monday, October 18 in the city's "Mayor's 100 Teens Program" banquet. In attendance were Raven Duran, Claudia Hernandez, Abigail Muniz, Mary Fuentes, and Kathy Ramos. Raven was one of the featured speakers at the banquet, and she credited her math teacher, Mr. Trejo, and her experiences at the Honors Summer Math Camp for inspiring her to excellence.

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