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## Bay Region Academic Decathlon Results are In

**SOLANO COUNTY** — Solano County Office of Education hosted the 2022 Bay Regional Academic Decathlon, and the results are in. This year, over 250 students from 17 high schools across Contra Costa, Lake, Mendocino, Napa, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Solano, Sonoma, and Yolo counties participated in the Bay Region's Academic Decathlon. This competition enhances critical thinking, study skills, and a perseverance that benefits students through high school and onto college.

Teams participating in this year's competition came from American Canyon High School of Napa Valley USD, BASIS Independent Silicon Valley, Evergreen Valley High School of East Side USD; Buckingham Collegiate Charter Academy of Vacaville USD; Dixon High School of Dixon USD; Jesse Bethel High School, and Vallejo High School of Vallejo City USD; Rodriguez High School of Fairfield-Suisun USD; Vanden High School of Travis USD; Campolindo High School of Acalanes USD; Casa Grande High School of Petaluma City Schools District; Davis Senior High School of Davis Joint USD; Freedom High School of Liberty USD; Menlo-Atherton High School of Sequoia USD; River City High School of Washington USD; Upper Lake High School of Upper Lake Union High; and Willits High School of Willits Unified.

"The dedication of these decathletes is truly impressive! These students have spent countless nights and weekends preparing for this competition and improving their academic knowledge and skills." said Superintendent of Schools Lisette Estrella-Henderson. "Every participant should feel very accomplished."

Campolindo High School, from Acalanes Unified School District (USD), took first place at Regionals, with 35,993 points; Vanden High School from Travis USD, came in second with 34,218 points and BASIS Independent Silicon Valley Charter from Santa Clara, finished third, scoring 32,439 points.

The winning school from each county will compete at the 43<sup>rd</sup> California Academic Decathlon, held virtually in March. Schools moving on to the statewide competition include: Vanden High School (Solano County), American Canyon High School (Napa County), BASIS ISV Charter (Santa Clara County), Campolindo High School (Contra Costa County), Casa Grande High School (Sonoma County), Davis Senior High School (Yolo County), Upper Lake High School (Lake County), Menlo-Atherton High School (San Mateo County), and Willits High School (Mendocino County).

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