

# National Academic Games Tournament Results

Thirty-two students and two coaches represented Hancock County at the 45th Annual National Academic Games Tournament, held at the Clyde York 4-H Center in Crossville, TN, April 25-29. Three parent volunteers traveled with the group as chaperones. Students, coaches, and parents enjoyed a day at Dollywood in Pigeon Forge on the day before competition began.

**Elementary Division** (Grades 5 and 6) took two teams of five students each. “Go to the Top” consisted of four students from Weir Middle School: Michael Ceraolo, David Gianni Ethan Gilbert, and Logan Goff. The fifth member of this team, Hunter Davis, attends Oak Glen Middle School. “Wild Things” consisted of four students from Oak Glen Middle School: McKenzie Bailey, Sabrina Chevront, Marques McHaffie, and Callie Ralston. The fifth member of this team, Kara Patterson, attends Weir Middle School. “Go to the Top” took the bronze, third-place trophy in Overall Social Studies. Ethan Gilbert placed third individually, taking a bronze trophy, in Presidents. These two elementary teams, “Go to the Top” and “Wild Things” just missed trophies in World Card, Presidents, and Propaganda by placing 4th and 5th respectively in those games.

**Middle Division** (Grades 7 and 8) took one team of five students, “That’s Epic.” This team consisted of four students from Weir Middle School: Morgan Abbott, Morgan Goff, Mitch Viakley, and Stephen White. The fifth student, Alyson Snow, attends Oak Glen Middle School. Emmy Delekta from Oak Glen Middle School combined with players from Adler, a school from Michigan to form the team, “N’ Sync.” “That’s Epic” took silver, second-place trophies in Presidents and Overall Social Studies. They also took bronze, third-place trophies in Propaganda and Overall Language Arts. “N’ Sync” tied for the third-place Onsets position, but placed fourth following team play-offs. Stephen White had perfect scores throughout regular play in Onsets and placed fourth following individual play-offs.

**Junior Division** (Grades 9 and 10) took two teams of five students each. “Don’t Come Downtown” and “Awesome Bros.” “Don’t Come Downtown” consisted of four students from Weir High School: Jake Kaminski, Michael Mastromichalis, Harry Olenick, and Ben Suter. The fifth member of this team, Jake Brewer, attends Oak Glen High School. “Awesome Bros” consisted of five students from Weir High School: Ethan Barnes, Timmy Barnes, Evan Greco, Austin Krupp, and Xavier Veal. “Don’t Come Downtown” took gold, first-place trophies in Presidents, World Card, and Overall Social Studies as well as silver, second-place trophies in LinguSHTIK, Propaganda, Overall Language Arts, and Overall Sweepstakes (best scores in all games). “Awesome Bros” took silver, second-place in Presidents, World Card, and Overall Social Studies. Jake Brewer made perfect scores throughout regular play in LinguSHTIK and placed second following individual play-offs. Hancock County students swept the individual awards in the two social studies games. Michael Mastromichalis, Ben Suter, and Xavier Veal took first, second, and third places respectively in Presidents. Jake Brewer, Michael Mastromichalis, and Evan Greco took first, second, and third places respectively in World Card. Michael Mastromichalis, Ben Suter, and Jake Brewer took first, second, and third places respectively in Overall Social Studies.

**Senior Division** (Grades 11 and 12) took one team of five students from Weir High School. “That’s What She Said for the Final Time” consisted of Ross Kinder, Josh Krupp, David Libengood, Cassie Patterson, and Emma Platt. Justin Moskal from Weir High School combined with players from Morgantown High School to form the team, “What Team?” “That’s What She Said for the Final Time” took gold, first-place trophies in Onsets, LinguSHTIK, Presidents, World Card and Overall Sweepstakes and a bronze, third-place trophy in Overall Math. This team tied with “What Team?” for the silver, second-place trophy in Overall Language Arts. “What Team?” also took silver, second-place trophies in Propaganda, Presidents, World Card, and Overall Social Studies. This team also took a bronze, third-place trophy in Overall Sweepstakes. Three Weir High students (Ross Kinder, Josh Krupp, and David Libengood) combined with two Morgantown High students to play WFF ‘N’ Proof; this combination team took a silver, second-place trophy. Ross Kinder placed third in individual World Card. Josh Krupp placed third in individual Onsets. As an individual, David Libengood placed first in Presidents, Overall Social Studies, LinguSHTIK, and Overall Sweepstakes as well as second in Onsets and World Card. Justin Moskal placed second in individual Propaganda and Overall Social Studies. Emma Platt placed first in Onsets; second in Overall Math; and third in Presidents, Overall Social Studies, Overall Language Arts, and Overall Sweepstakes.