

WISCONSIN ACADEMIC DECATHLON

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National Overall Champions 2002
Division II National Champions 2002-2005, 2007-2010
Second in the Nation 2003, 2008-2009 ~ Third in the Nation 2004-2007 ~ Fourth in the Nation 2010

UNITED STATES ACADEMIC DECATHLON

NATIONAL COMPETITION RESULTS April, 2010

The 2009-2010 Academic Decathlon team from **Waukesha West High School** represented Wisconsin at the 29th Annual National Finals last week. The trip marked West's ninth consecutive appearance. This year's event was held in Omaha, Nebraska; the theme was ***The French Revolution***.

The competition drew high school teams from 35 states as well as a team from the US Virgin Islands. **Waukesha West placed 1st among the twelve teams in Division II and 4th in the nation with their score of 46,973.7.** California's Division I El Camino Real High School captured the overall title with a point total of 49,951.7. Arizona's Division I Mountain View High School took 2nd with a score of 48,322.9 while Division I Whitney Young Magnet High School from Illinois placed 3rd with 47,269.7 points.

Coached by Duane Stein and Sarah Windisch, West's nine-member team accumulated multiple awards, including \$6,350 in cash scholarships. Twenty seven medals were awarded to the team with all nine members earning hardware; six West decathletes earned cash scholarships. Ben Clark was featured in the Speech Showcase and Tim Truong earned a perfect score on the combined Super Quiz. **Dylan Verden was Waukesha West's top scorer with 8,857.9 out of a possible 10,000 points. Dylan achieved the highest overall score in the nation, surpassing West's 2002 national decathlete Ryan Ramlow's previous record of 8,678 points.**

The Team:

Anuraag Girdhar	Yuwei Jiang	Ben Clark
Josh Graham	Katharine Tyndall	Noah Ford
Tim Truong	Dylan Verden	Zach Taylor

The Events:

Art	Mathematics	Essay
Economics	Music	Interview
Language & Literature	Science	Speech
Super Quiz – The History of the French Revolution		

Decathletes individually tested in the ten events, accumulating points for the team total. Individual awards earned for academic excellence were as follows: Anuraag Girdhar (bronze-Music; silver-Super Quiz, silver overall Honors student Div. II = \$750 scholarship). Josh Graham (silver Super Quiz). Tim Truong (gold Super Quiz, gold overall Honors student Div. II = \$1000 scholarship). Dylan Verden (gold-Essay, bronze-Art, bronze-Music, gold-Interview, silver-Math, silver-Economics, gold-Speech, silver-Super Quiz, highest scoring student on the team = \$500 scholarship, gold overall Scholastic student Div. II = \$1,000 scholarship). Yuwei Jiang (gold-Science, silver-Math, bronze overall Scholastic student Div. II = \$500 scholarship). Katharine Tyndall (bronze-Music, bronze-Super Quiz). Zach Taylor (bronze-Science, silver-Art, bronze-Super Quiz, gold overall Varsity student Div. II = \$1,000 scholarship). Noah Ford (gold-Essay, silver-Interview). Ben Clark (silver-Speech, Holiday Inn Varsity Speech Scholarship = \$1,600).

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