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Congratulations to the 2022 Scholarship Winners!



2022 Scholarship Winners:

Impact Scholar (left): Tanush Yadav, Interlake High School

Achievement Scholar (right): Snigdha Mahankali, Woodinville High School

Hello,

Congratulations to the 2022 State Bowl finalists! On March 24, Warm Beach was again filled with Washington Future Problem Solving State qualifiers. The weather cooperated, and almost everyone was able to attend. Thank you also to all the parents who helped get their children to the State Bowl on time as well as the dedicated coaches who helped them prepare for this year's competition. The competition instructions got underway at 10 a.m. and all the participants were busy problem-solving by 10:10 a.m. I look forward to seeing some of the students who participated virtually this year at next year's State Bowl.

We were fortunate to have a guest speaker, Dr. Allison Calhoun, at the Awards Ceremony. She is a mining engineer. She shared some words of encouragement as well as information about limestone mining, which was very informative.

If you missed the Awards Ceremony, you can still see the list of winners [here](#).

Congratulations to the students who qualified for the hybrid International Conference which will be held in Amherst, Massachusetts from June 8-12. The students will be busy over the next few months preparing for competition. This year's International Conference topic is Antibiotic Resistance. For more information about the International Conference, please go to fpspi.org.

I continue to emphasize that Future Problem Solving allows students to learn how to think critically, creatively, and futuristically. For most students it is also a team activity that stresses cooperation. For all students and coaches involved in this year's program, I commend your dedication and ability to be flexible in these unusual times.

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2022 Washington State Future Problem Solving Results

Name	School	Coach	
International Qualifiers Shown in Green			
<i>Junior Division Scenario Performance:</i>			
1st place:	Eesha Parihar	Somerset Elementary School	Kirsten Toning
2nd place:	Chloe Kwan	Somerset Elementary School	Kirsten Toning
3rd place:	Lilian Yang	Somerset Elementary School	Kirsten Toning
4th place:	Seohwon "Ted" Yun	Somerset Elementary School	Kirsten Toning
5th place:	Andrew Kim	Somerset Elementary School	Kirsten Toning
<i>Junior Division Scenario Writers:</i>			
1st place:	Nidhi Karnati	Redmond Independent	Chandrasekhar Karnati
2nd place:	Siddhi Lakkarsu	Redmond Independent	Sateesh Lakkarsu
3rd place:	Gracyne Russell	North River School	Kari Beyer
<i>Middle Division Scenario Performance:</i>			
1st place:	Anvika Kaul Singh	Odle Middle School	Debby Benzinger, Claire Kujawa
2nd place:	Abhidi Brahmamath	Odle Middle School	Debby Benzinger, Claire Kujawa
3rd place:	Anjana Vaidyaraman	Odle Middle School	Debby Benzinger, Claire Kujawa
4th place:	Hiraani Leung	Odle Middle School	Debby Benzinger, Claire Kujawa
5th place:	Willian Yoon	Odle Middle School	Debby Benzinger, Claire Kujawa
<i>Middle Division Scenario Writers:</i>			
1st place:	Mingmei Sun	Tyee Middle School	John Pearson
2nd place:	Anvika Kaul Singh	Odle Middle School	Debby Benzinger, Claire Kujawa
3rd place:	Tasmia Minhaz	Leota Middle School	Matthew Bohannan
4th place:	Sana David	Odle Middle School	Debby Benzinger, Claire Kujawa
5th place:	Joanne Chae	Odle Middle School	Debby Benzinger, Claire Kujawa
<i>Senior Division Scenario Performance:</i>			
1st place:	Sidhya Ganesh	Interlake High School	Christopher Alvarez
2nd place:	Tanya Bhandari	North Creek High School	Matthew Bohannan
3rd place:	Krithipriya Narendran	Interlake High School	Christopher Alvarez
<i>Senior Division Scenario Writers:</i>			
1st place:	Jake Donner	Interlake High School	Christopher Alvarez
2nd place:	Prisha Hemani	Interlake High School	Christopher Alvarez
3rd place:	Nishka Kacheria	Interlake High School	Christopher Alvarez
4th place:	Aaryan Pawar	Interlake High School	Christopher Alvarez
5th place:	Rohak Jain	Interlake High School	Christopher Alvarez
<i>Junior Division GIPS Individual:</i>			
1st place:	Makenna Molitor	Wellington Elementary	Matthew Bohannan
<i>Middle Division GIPS Individual:</i>			
1st place:	Vedika Hemani	Odle Middle School	Debby Benzinger, Claire Kujawa
2nd place:	Anjana Vaidyaraman	Odle Middle School	Debby Benzinger, Claire Kujawa
3rd place:	Vishnu Mangipudi	Odle Middle School	Debby Benzinger, Claire Kujawa
4th place:	Abhidi Brahmamath	Odle Middle School	Debby Benzinger, Claire Kujawa
5th place:	Olive Sherrer	Shuksan Middle School	Andrew Nelsen
6th place:	Lilian Berrios	Market Square Education	Matthew Bohannan

Senior Division GIPS Individual:

1st place:	Cindy Liu	Bellevue Independent	Jennifer Yuan
2nd place:	Sidhya Ganesh	Interlake High School	Christopher Alvarez
3rd place:	Prisha Hemani	Interlake High School	Christopher Alvarez
4th place:	Tanya Bhandari	North Creek High School	Matthew Bohannon
5th place:	Rohak Jain	Interlake High School	Christopher Alvarez

Senior Division Community Problem Solving Team:

1st place:	North River School	Kari Beyer	
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Junior Division GIPS Teams:

1st place:	Kabir Khandelwal, Kaiser Yen, Aadhya Kalakuntla	Odle Middle School	Debby Benzinger, Claire Kujawa
2nd place:	Abby Aiken, Camille Fortna, Gwen Brown, Jonna Gillham	Fairhaven Middle School	Melissa Comelsen
3rd place:	Eesha Parihar, Kelsey Tu, Lilian Yang, Melanie Grad	Somerset Elementary	Kirsten Tanning
4th place:	Bella Everett, Ema Horja, Jewel Bryngelson, Julia Wolgamot	Fairhaven Middle School	Melissa Comelsen
5th place:	Alexis Sherbert, Chloe Dauer, Gil Tracewell, Maleala Mazurek	Riverview Elementary	Kimberlee Spaetig-Peterson
6th place:	Brielle Hicks, Eytan Samuels, Max Naiman, Sloane Clines	Fairhaven Middle School	Melissa Comelsen
7th place:	Alessandra Perez, Alice Molitor, Owen Scollon, Sage Maden	Fairhaven Middle School	Melissa Comelsen
8th place:	Brett Zimpfer, Kaila Reeves, Olive Carlson, Xavier Tuxill	Fairhaven Middle School	Melissa Comelsen
9th place:	Emma Lee, Rohan Biyani, Sophie Yan, Tarang Yadav	Tyee Middle School	John Pearson
10th place:	Ridha Fathima Maliyakkal, Anushka Elango, Isabelle Li, Jyothi Panchap	Odle Middle School	Debby Benzinger, Claire Kujawa
11th place:	Aarna Dwivedi, Cindy Qiu, Helen Yang, Nasya Sudarman	Odle Middle School	Debby Benzinger, Claire Kujawa

Middle Division GIPS Teams:

1st place:	Amogh Patil, Anish Pamuru, Elijah Yan, Ryan Pascual	Woodinville High School	Matthew Bohannon
2nd place:	Kayleigh Proctor-Finnegan, Lucy Naiman, Maria Horja, Meaghan MacGregor	Fairhaven Middle School	Melissa Comelsen
3rd place:	Anya Winter, Ella Andreassen, Henry Bankowski, Justin Barras	Fairhaven Middle School	Melissa Comelsen
4th place:	Alice Zhang, Jacqueline Hsiao, Leo Tang, Yajing Yang	Odle Middle School	Debby Benzinger, Claire Kujawa
5th place:	Advait Vijayakumar, Anvitha Suresh, Jiya Joshi, Morgan Schmitter	NSD United	Matthew Bohannon
6th place:	Breanne Ng, Carol Gong, Sophia Lin, Trinity Yun	Tyee Middle School	John Pearson
7th place:	Ada Jin, Ainsley Chamberlin, Hiraani Hew Nam Leung, Sana David	Odle Middle School	Debby Benzinger, Claire Kujawa
8th place:	Aayush Pant, Atticus Pak, Darsh Shenoy, Smriti Tiwari	NSD United	Matthew Bohannon
9th place:	Andrew Mao, Dean Sutherland, Jasper Smith, Luke Norman	Fairhaven Middle School	Melissa Comelsen

Senior Division GIPS Teams:

1st place:	Annie Zhao, Claire King, Eunice Lee, Linh Tran	Bellevue Independent	Minh Tran
2nd place:	Allan Xuan, Mason Stuart, Sophia Kawamura, Yash Pant	Woodinville/North Creek	Matthew Bohannon
3rd place:	Aaryan Pawar, Lucas Tang, Nishka Kacheria	Interlake High School	Christopher Alvarez
4th place:	Nivedita Raj, Snigdha Mahankali, Stuti Tiwari, Tori Kirchmeier	Woodinville High School	Matthew Bohannon
5th place:	Aditi Agarwal, Airah Virani, Sahithi Challam, Taj Khandekar	Interlake Independent	Rubina Virani
6th place:	Gene Yang, Larry Liu, Raina Wu, William Feng	Lakeside School	Anna VanderLugt
7th place:	Clarence Zheng, Jake Donner, Tanush Yadav, Tejus Agrawal	Interlake High School	Christopher Alvarez
8th place:	Dakota Shelton, Delani Lehn, Eliona McElderry, Isaac Bone	Tekoa School	Angie Rambo

GET TO KNOW THE 2022 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Tanush Yadav, 2022 WAFPS Impact Scholar \$500

- 7 years FPS
- Used his Future Problem Solving skills to solve a pandemic-caused challenge that resulted in the cancellation of on-site speech and debate tournaments. By creating an affordable online platform, Tanush's solution, Cascade Commons, served over 20 regional tournaments and 100 schools.
- FPS Achievements—9th grade: 1st place GIPS (State Bowl), 1st place GIPS (Internationals); 10th grade: 1st place GIPS (State Bowl), 11th place GIPS (Internationals); 11th grade: 3rd place GIPS (State Bowl); 12th grade: 7th place GIPS (State Bowl)

Snigdha Mahankali, 2022 WAFPS Achievement Scholar \$500

- 3 years FPS
- Created the first FPS club at Woodinville High School. Worked with her team to increase membership and retain new members.
- Defines her involvement in FPS as widening her scope of the world and now thinks of herself as an innovator.
- FPS Achievements—11th grade: 2nd place GIPS (State Bowl); 12th grade: 4th place GIPS (State Bowl)

2022 COACH OF THE YEAR



John Pearson, Tye Middle School

Teaching in Tye Middle School since 2010, John is highly passionate about what he teaches and what the students are learning. He always puts students first and continually strives to bring the world to life through lessons about history and global-engagement service projects.

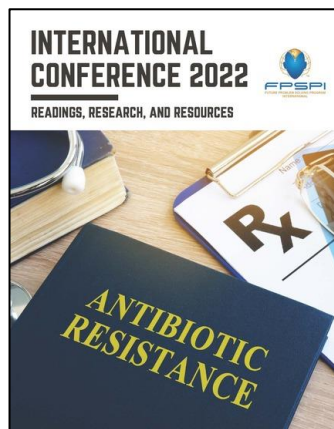
As Tye's long-serving adviser for Future Problem Solving, John has coached students at the State and International level, including a first place International Scenario Writer. John endeavors to be the best coach possible by always asking thoughtful questions and learning from the work of his students. He is truly an advocate for his students in their learning of the problem solving process.

"Mr. Pearson has been a wonderful coach throughout our team's 3 years in FPS. He has always been supportive and welcoming of everyone regardless. Mr. Pearson always brightens up the classroom. We'll always remember him, even as we move on to high school," Carol Gong, Tye Middle School, said.

Congratulations, John!

2022 IC READINGS AND RESOURCES

Qualified for IC? Here is where you can find the summaries of articles that look at the current FPS International Conference topic Antibiotic Resistance. Click the image below to order.



Important Dates

April 15: IC Scenario Writing winners and results posted on FPSPI's website

April 25: IC Scenario Performance subthemes and instructions on FPSPI's website

April 27: Advancing CmPS Cover Sheet, Publication Release, and Project due

May 4: IC registration closes

May 16: IC schedule available on FPSPI's website

June 8-12: 2022 Hybrid International Conference, Topic: Antibiotic resistance

2022 IC TOPIC: ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE

Antibiotics are the most common treatment for bacterial infections in humans, animals, and plants. Antibiotics are added to livestock feed to protect livestock from diseases. This allows for greater growth and production. Antibiotics are also often in the foods humans consume. Antibiotic sprays are commonly used in agriculture, especially for fruit trees. Many plastics today, such as those used in public hygiene stations for babies and children, have antimicrobial additives embedded within the materials. These additives reduce bacterial growth on the plastic's surfaces.

With this widespread use of broad-spectrum antibiotics, they have become far less effective as medical treatments. This use has also contributed to the emergence of antibiotic-resistant bacteria. For example, the treatment of tuberculosis requires an increasingly diverse cocktail of antibiotics as bacteria becomes more resistant to previously effective medications. Scientists are continually developing new therapies in a race to stay ahead of the evolution of new antibiotic-resistant pathogens. However, despite these precautions, multi-resistant bacteria continue to appear.

How might the population potentially suffer from emerging antibiotic-resistant bacteria? How might the overuse of antibiotics be addressed? How might we protect all species being treated by broad-spectrum antibiotics, while still protecting populations as a whole?



FINAL WORDS FROM THE AD'S DESK

Again, let me enthusiastically congratulate John Pearson from the Bellevue School District as the recipient of this year's Coach of the Year award.

Also, congratulations to the two scholarship winners, Snigdha Mahankali and Tanush Yadav. I hope that they find the award helpful as they continue their academic careers at university.

Please call/text (509) 386-6297 or email me (jbuissinkwafps@gmail.com) any time you have questions.

Next Up in May: **2022 IC information and more...**

“The capacity to learn is a gift, the ability to learn is a skill, the willingness to learn is a choice.” —Brian Herbert