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LAUSD Academic Decathlon Teams Head to State Competition

12 District School Teams to Vie for State Title and Trip to Nationals

LOS ANGELES - Twelve academic decathlon teams from the Los Angeles Unified School District will travel to Sacramento to compete in the 2014 California Academic Decathlon contest, scheduled for March 20-23.

The competing LAUSD schools are: **Marshall High School**, winner of the the District's 2014 Academic Decathlon contest; **Granada Hills Charter, El Camino Real Charter, Taft Charter, Franklin, Garfield, Bell, Hamilton, Narbonne, Van Nuys, Grant and North Hollywood high schools.**

The decathletes, including some of the District's top student scholars, will put their scholastic prowess to the ultimate test when they compete against more than 50 teams from throughout California for the state title. The winner of the state academic decathlon will represent California in this year's United States Academic Decathlon competition, scheduled April 24-26, in Honolulu.

Students will be tested in 10 categories: art, economics, essay, interview, language and literature, mathematics, music, science, social science and speech. This year's study topic is World War I.

The state winner will be announced at noon, on Sunday, March 23 in Sacramento.

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