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RE: Midwest Academic Bowl Competition Update

From: Kimberly Kause, Executive Director

Dear Members of North Star Community:

Gallaudet University hosted Midwest Regional Academic Bowl competition at Indiana School for the Deaf during the weekend of February 21st. Sixteen schools and programs for the Deaf participated in the competition. Minnesota North Star Academy was one of the teams who competed as well. I am very proud to announce that MNSA placed **THIRD** in the competition!! Our team went as far as to making it to the semi-finals along with Texas School for the Deaf, Indiana School for the Deaf, and John Hersey High School in Illinois. North Star beat Texas School for the Deaf for Third Place. It is such a great honor for our school to place THIRD!

The team consisted of: Sissi Hahnikoski, Brienna Herold, Philip Steinbruckner, Scott Symes, and Jared Treichel. Anthony Ritz and Cheri Piemeisl also accompanied the students to Indiana.

Another piece of exciting news to share is that Brienna Herold received the Most Outstanding Player Award!! At the end of the competition, Gallaudet University always selects two students as Most Outstanding Players based on their performance throughout the competition. Again, the school is very proud of Brienna for receiving this honor. Congratulations, Brienna!

Through sportsmanship, teamwork, and thought, the Comets proved themselves a worth opponent to any team. The school is very proud of the team! Congratulations!! To see more pictures from the competition, go to <http://www.gallaudet.edu/x4816.xml>



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