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**SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE HOSTS NEW YORK STATE
MATHEMATICS LEAGUE ANNUAL SPRING CHAMPIONSHIP**

Brentwood, NY – Suffolk County Community College recently hosted The New York State Mathematics League’s (NYSML) Annual Spring Championship at its Michael J. Grant Campus in Brentwood. This event was co-sponsored by Suffolk County Mathematics Teachers Association (SCMTA). Four-hundred top high school mathematics students from throughout New York State participated in the contest. The competition was the culmination of previously held county-level contests that entitle these students to be invited to compete at the state level. Many of the students will go on to compete at the next level, which is the Regional Mathematics League Competition.

Dr. Shaun L. McKay, President of Suffolk County Community College commented, “This is the first time the NYSML Annual Spring Championship has taken place in Suffolk County and we are so pleased to have been selected to host and co-sponsor this event. It is an exciting moment when we can help bring together the best and brightest math students in the state and be part of the process by which they continue to compete and achieve academic greatness.”

Michael Curry, Executive Director of NYSML, added that Suffolk County Community College provided the perfect venue for the event.

In the “Individual Rounds”, students were given pairs of problems to be solved within 10 minutes. There were five pairs of problems that increased in difficulty as the rounds progressed. The students also competed in two “Relay Rounds”, where an answer to a given problem depends upon an answer given by another member of the team. In the “Team Round” and “Power Round” the 15-member teams worked together to solve an array of problems. At the end of the day, the scores from these four events were tallied. New York City had the highest total score and thus won the top honors in the "A" division. Ithaca won the "B" division. Teams are placed into the divisions based on results from previous years. The Suffolk County Team placed second in the "B" division with a very strong showing.

Assisting the NYSML Executive Board in making the day’s event a success were members of the Suffolk County Mathematics Teachers Association and members of the College’s Mathematics faculty,

including: Alexander Atwood, Andrea Blum, Christine Brady, Jerry Chen, Adrienne Chu, Elizabeth Chu, Russell Coe, Lisa Cook, Vera Hu-Hyneman, Myung Chul Kim, Theodore Koukounas, Christine Kulis, Erikka Mendez, Larissa Samuilova, Judy Williams and Bridget Young.

“The Suffolk County Mathematics Teachers Association could not be more proud to be a co-sponsor of this year’s NYSML Competition. We were delighted to see so many bright and talented mathematics students who have come from all over the State of New York to participate in this wonderful event. We cannot thank enough the wonderful and generous people from Suffolk County Community College who worked long hours to put on a first class showcase. I’m sure our students, coaches, and volunteers will forever benefit from participating in this exciting experience,” said Steven Goldman, President of SCMTA.



Photo Caption: Suffolk County Community College recently hosted The New York State Mathematics League Annual Spring Championship at its Michael J. Grant Campus in Brentwood. Assisting the NYSML Executive Board in making the day’s event a success were members of the Suffolk County Mathematics Teachers Association and members of the College’s Mathematics faculty (pictured above).

About Suffolk County Community College

Suffolk County Community College (SCCC) is the largest community college in the State University of New York (SUNY) system, enrolling approximately 25,000 students at its three campuses in Selden, Brentwood and Riverhead. SCCC offers the Associate in Arts (A.A.), Associate in Science (A.S.), and Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) degrees, as well as a variety of certificate programs. Offering the lowest college tuition on Long Island, a highly respected Honors program, extensive extracurricular activities, championship athletic teams, and numerous unified transfer programs, SCCC is a first-choice college for Long Island students. Visit us online at sunysuffolk.edu.

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