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OUSD Math Pentathlon 2008

ORANGE, Calif., May 13, 2008 – The Elementary Curriculum Department of the Orange Unified School District sponsored its sixth Math Pentathlon on Saturday, May 3, 2008 at McPherson Magnet School in Orange. This year 22 schools participated, fielding 57 teams of 4 students each in grades 4-6.

Each team competes in 5 events: Problem Solving, Mental Math, Estimation, Logic, and Construction. All events except Mental Math are team events in which students must collaborate and agree on one answer for each exercise.

Ribbons are awarded to the top six teams in each event; 90 sets of ribbons were awarded to 41 separate teams representing 20 schools. Teams placed in each event as follows:

Winning Teams

Grade 4	Problem Solving	Estimation	Mental Math	Logic	Construction
1 st Place	Taft	Running Springs	Canyon Rim	Serrano	McPherson
2 nd Place	La Veta	Canyon Rim	McPherson	Running Springs Taft	Running Springs
3 rd Place	Chapman Hills Serrano	La Veta	La Veta	-----	Chapman Hills
4 th Place	-----	Crescent	Serrano	Imperial	Panorama
5 th Place	Crescent	Panorama	Taft	Canyon Rim	La Veta
6 th Place	Running Springs	Esplanade	Running Springs	Panorama	-----

Grade 5	Problem Solving	Estimation	Mental Math	Logic	Construction
1 st Place	McPherson	Imperial	Running Springs	Crescent	Serrano
2 nd Place	Crescent	La Veta	La Veta	La Veta	Nohl Canyon
3 rd Place	Running Springs	Nohl Canyon	Crescent	Nohl Canyon	Crescent
4 th Place	Panorama	Taft	Canyon Rim	Serrano	Esplanade
5 th Place	La Veta	Esplanade	McPherson	Panorama	Palmyra
6 th Place	Chapman Hills	Lampson	Lampson	Chapman Hills	-----

Grade 6	Problem Solving	Estimation	Mental Math	Logic	Construction
1 st Place	Portola	McPherson	McPherson	Nohl Canyon	La Veta
2 nd Place	Nohl Canyon	Panorama	La Veta	Running Springs	Panorama
3 rd Place	Running Springs	Crescent	Crescent	La Veta	Canyon Rim
4 th Place	Crescent	Nohl Canyon	Sycamore	Canyon Rim	Running Springs
5 th Place	McPherson	Fletcher	Jordan	Olive	Prospect
6 th Place	Imperial Taft	Palmyra	Panorama	Portola	Palmyra

The Pentathlon Awards video will air on channel 95 at the following times:

Tuesday, May 13, 2008 it will air at 3:00 pm. and 8:00 pm. It will air for seven days, until Monday May 19, 2008.