

(Nashville, Tennessee, March 19, 2016)-- Teams of 6th, 7th and 8th grade student Mathletes from public, private, and parochial middle schools, junior high schools, and homeschoools across Tennessee competed in the Tennessee state-level competition of the national MATHCOUNTS program on March 21, 2015, at the Tennessee Engineering Center in Nashville, Tennessee. The Tennessee MATHCOUNTS regional and state contests are organized and sponsored annually by the local chapters of the Tennessee Society of Professional Engineers and by the Tennessee Engineering Foundation.

A total of 17 schools and 44 students from across Tennessee, winners of their local competitions in February, competed at the state-level competition.

Teachers and students prepared for this competition since the beginning of this school year. Students competed individually and as teams in written and fast-paced oral matches. Subjects included probability, statistics, linear algebra, and polynomials. Winners of the individual, team, and oral lightning “Countdown Round” competitions received awards, trophies, and prizes.

The winners of the Tennessee State MATHCOUNTS competition are:

Winning Individuals (Written Competition):

Name	School	Coach
Taichi Kuriyama	Houston Middle School	Karla Templeton
Kevin Luo	White Station Middle School, Memphis	Chris Carter
Baylor Sai	Montgomery Bell Academy, Nashville	Maggie Qian
Colin Murray	Ensworth School, Nashville	Melissa Fogaros

State Team Coach: White Station Middle School, Memphis Chris Carter

Winning Teams (Written Competition):

1. White Station Middle School, Memphis
 Anming Gu, Kevin Luo, Allen Wu, Jonathan Zhang
 Coach: Chris Carter

2. Montgomery Bell Academy, Nashville
 Alex Kalams, Baylor Sai, Colin Tang, Thomas Zeuthen
 Coach: Maggie Qian

2. Jefferson Middle School, Oak Ridge
 Andrew Brady, Melody Guo, Kevin Li, Edward Moran
 Coach: Rosa Faulkner

Winning Individuals (Countdown Round / Oral Competition):

	Name	School	Coach
1.	Colin Murray	Ensworth School	Melissa Fogaros
2.	Baylor Sai	Montgomery Bell Academy	Maggie Qian



Countdown Round Winners L to R – Baylor Sai (Montgomery Bell, Nashville, 2nd Place); Colin Murray (Ensworth School, Nashville, 1st Place) and Jake Greear, PE, TN MATHCOUNTS State Coordinator

Tennessee will be represented at the National MATHCOUNTS competition by the top four winners of the state written competition, coached by the coach of the winning team of the state written competition, with an all-expenses-paid trip to the 2016 Raytheon MATHCOUNTS National Competition, which will be held Renaissance Washington, DC Downtown Hotel May 7-10, 2016.

The **Tennessee team** representing Tennessee at the National MATHCOUNTS competition is:

Student Mathletes:

Taichi Kuriyama	Houston Middle School, Memphis	Karla Templeton
Kevin Luo	White Station Middle School, Memphis	Chris Carter
Baylor Sai	Montgomery Bell Academy, Nashville	Maggie Qian
Colin Murray	Ensworth School, Nashville	Melissa Fogaros

State Team Coach: White Station Middle School, Memphis Chris Carter

The MATHCOUNTS Competition Program is a national middle school coaching and competitive mathematics program that promotes mathematics achievement through a series of fun and engaging "bee" style contests. The program exists in all 50 states plus U.S. territories and the Department of Defense and State Department schools. Additional details about the MATHCOUNTS program may be found at the national MATHCOUNTS internet web page at <http://www.mathcounts.org>. Mathletes and MATHCOUNTS are registered trademarks of the Mathcounts Foundation, registered in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.



Tennessee Team (L to R), Colin Murray, Ensworth School, Nashville); Baylor Sai (Montgomery Bell Academy); Chris Carter, White Station Middle School and State Team Coach, Memphis; Kevin Luo (White Station Middle School, Memphis); Taichi Kuriyama (Houston Middle School, Memphis); and and Jake Greear, PE (McGill Associates, Inc. and Tennessee State MATHCOUNTS Coordinator)



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1st Place Team (L to R) Kevin Luo, Allen Wu, Coach Chris Carter, and Anming Gu, and Jonathan Zhang (White Station Middle School, Memphis), and Jake Greear, PE, TN MATHCOUNTS State Coordinator



2nd Place Team (L to R) Baylor Sai, Thomas Zeuthen, Coach Maggie Qian, Alex Kalams, and Colin Tang (Montgomery Bell Academy, Nashville), and Jake Greear.



Third Place Team (L to R): Andrew Brady, Edward Moran, Asst. Coach Linda Andress, Coach Rosa Faulkner, Melody Guo, and Kevin Li, (Jefferson Middle School, Oak Ridge), and Jake Greear.

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Pictured L to R – Nataya Chayangkura, PE, Alfred Benesch & Co. and Jennie Shipman, James + Associates



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