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DOE HOSTS REGIONAL SCIENCE BOWL

On February 24, more than 30 teams from eastern Washington and Oregon and western Montana will compete in the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Regional Science Bowl, which will be held at Washington State University-Tri-Cities (WSU-TC) in Richland. The winning team from this regional competition will receive an all-expense paid trip to Washington D.C. to compete in the National Science Bowl in May.

Each team consists of four students, one alternate, and one coach. The students are asked questions from several academic disciplines including chemistry, biology, physics, mathematics, astronomy, and general earth and computer science.

DOE supports the Science Bowl to help provide a technically trained and diverse workforce for the nation, and to enhance American scientific and technical literacy, especially in energy, the environment, and science's impact on the economy.

Teams compete free of charge, due to generous support from local companies and organizations. Corporate sponsors and individual volunteers are still needed in various areas, including sponsoring exhibits and booths, officiating, registrants, and fundraising.

Interested schools, volunteers and sponsors should contact Beth Perry, science bowl coordinator, at bperry@owt.com or (509) 588-3901 for more details, to register, or to make arrangements to be a sponsor. Please mark your calendars now and plan to watch the competition beginning at 8:15 a.m. in the WSU-TC atrium. The final competition round will be at 4:00 p.m. in the auditorium.

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