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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

EASTERN HOSTS HIGH SCHOOL MATH CONTEST

CHARLESTON, IL.--Eastern Illinois University will host approximately 400 students representing 18 central Illinois high schools competing in a regional mathematics contest Saturday, March 12.

The competition is being sponsored for the eighth year by the Illinois Council of Teachers of Mathematics.

The 18 high schools are Hutsonville, Charleston, Mt. Vernon, Mt. Zion, Salem, Neoga, Newton, Oblong, Martinsville, Chrisman, Palestine, Riverton, Robinson, Shiloh, St. Elmo, Sullivan, Teutopolis and Shelbyville.

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"The purpose of the ICTM state math contest is to recognize outstanding mathematical achievement, encourage independent study, stimulate interest in mathematics and provide a wholesome meeting ground for students and teachers of mathematics through academic competition," according to Dr. Claire Krukenberg, mathematics professor and contest coordinator.

Each school team, consisting of approximately 25 students, can compete in a maximum of 11 events, including written tests in algebra, geometry and pre-calculus and oral presentations in geometry, logic, geometric problems and analytic geometry.

Competition will be held in two classes, A and AA. Division A consists of all schools with an enrollment of 750 or less in grades 9 through 12. Division AA consists of schools with an enrollment of more than 750 in grades 9 through 12, Krukenberg said.

The contest will be held from 9 a.m. to noon with the majority of events scheduled in Coleman Hall. The public is invited to attend an awards ceremony from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in the University Union Grand Ballroom.

Charleston is the defending champ in Class AA. Oblong is the defending Class A champ.

The individual and team winners will advance to the state finals April 30 at Illinois State University.