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SCIENCE TRIATHLON AT EASTERN

CHARLESTON, IL--Eastern Illinois University will host a Science Triathlon on April 8, for students from area schools in grades four through eight.

The Triathlon will consist of individual and team competitions in the areas of Model Rocketry, Bridge Building, and Computer Programming.

The competition, sponsored by Eastern's Department of Elementary and Junior High Education and Regional Superintendant Rose Mary Shephard, will begin in Buzzard Auditorium at 8:30 a.m. Anyone who is interested in seeing the competition is invited to attend.

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Students will compete against other students in the same grade. Each student, or team, placing in the top three of each competition will receive a trophy. Forty-five awards will be presented.

This is Eastern's first year with the event and Dr. Henry Taitt, Director of the Triathlon, hopes the University will continue to host future competitions. "Our future needs highly trained and knowledgeable people in sciences. The people who will be making our future decisions are in elementary grades today. Our future is in their hands." he said.

Following the competition, the students are invited to attend a science show at 1 p.m., presented by the Physics Department in the Physical Science Building. This will be followed by the awards ceremony.