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ICTM MATH CONTEST

CHARLESTON, IL--Eastern Illinois University will host the Eleventh Annual Regional Mathematics Contest for students representing 17 central Illinois high schools on Saturday, March 9.

The competition is being sponsored for the eleventh year by the Illinois Council of Teachers of Mathematics (ICTM).

The 17 participating high schools are Charleston, Mt. Vernon, Mt. Zion, Oblong, Palestine, Sullivan, Teutopolis, Robinson, Chrisman, Hutsonville, Neoga, Newton, Niantic-Harristown, Paris, Salem, Marshall and Sacred Heart-Griffin of Springfield.

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Charleston and Oblong are the defending class AA and class A regional champs, respectively.

Each school team, consisting of approximately 25 students, can compete in a maximum of 10 events, including written tests in algebra, geometry and pre-calculus and oral presentations in probability or finite differences.

Claire Krukenberg, Eastern mathematics professor and regional site director, said, "The purpose of the ICTM state math contest is to recognize outstanding mathematical achievement, to encourage independent study and to stimulate interest in mathematics." Krukenberg also serves as vice-chair of the ICTM State Mathematics Contest Committee.

The 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 competition is from 9 a.m. to noon with the majority of events scheduled in Coleman Hall. An awards ceremony will follow the contest at 2 p.m. in the University Union Ballroom.

Individual and team winners will advance to the state finals April 27 at Illinois State University.