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Science Olympiad Activities

Redmond Middle School (RMS) Science Olympiad – Tutoring

- Member: 2019 – 2021, Tutor: 2021 - 2022

- Served as a tutor for Division B students at Redmond Middle School. Supported students by supplying cheatsheet advice for the event Disease Detectives and build advice for the event Mousetrap Vehicle. Met with students once a month.

- Competed for RMS Science Olympiad for 2 years. Qualified for National Tournament once.

Tesla STEM Science Olympiad (TSSO) — Co-President

- Member: 2021 – Current, PR: 2023 – 2024, Co-President: 2024 – Current

- Regularly updated the club's social media page to increase publicity

- Designed promotional material to advertise and promote the club

- In communication with student body to promote TSSO events within the school

- Fulfilled other general board member duties:

  - Worked with board members to figure out competition logistics (flights, hotel rooms, event conflicts, etc.)

  - Managed the logistics of TSSO's booth at an elementary school science fair event.

    - Determined logistics for running fun events for elementary schoolers to engage in

    - Promoted TSSO's day camps through my flyer designs

- Competed with TSSO for 3 years. Qualified for National Tournament twice.

Tesla STEM 2023-2024 Invitational (TI-24) Director:

- Wrote invitational tests before the competition and graded tests day of

- Ensured that events ran smoothly day of by serving as an event supervisor

- Coordinated logistical details,

Washington State Division B Regional and State Test Writer:

- Co-wrote the Division B Fossils exam for the official regional tournaments.

- Co-wrote the Division B Fossils exam for the official state tournament.

Science Olympiad Awards

Redmond Middle School Science Olympiad:

- 2020 – 2021:
  - Placed 1st in Fossils and Disease Detectives and 2nd in Mousetrap Vehicle at the State tournament. Overall team placed 2nd and qualified for Nationals.
  - Placed 7th in Disease Detectives, 8th in Mousetrap Vehicle, and 17th in Fossils at the National Tournament.

Tesla STEM Science Olympiad (TSSO):

- 2022 – 2023:
  - Overall team placed 7th at the Golden Gate Science Olympiad Invitational.
  - Placed 1st in Cell Biology, Write-it Do-it, and Disease Detectives at Regional Tournament. Overall team placed 1st and qualified for State Tournament.
  - Placed 2nd in Disease Detectives and Cell Biology and 3rd in Write-it Do-it at State Tournament. Overall team placed 1st and qualified for National Tournament.

- 2023 – 2024:
  - Overall team placed 13th at the Golden Gate Science Olympiad Invitational.
  - Placed 1st in Disease Detectives, Fossils, and Write-it Do-it at Regional Tournament. Overall team placed 1st and qualified for State Tournament.
  - Placed 2nd in Disease Detectives and Fossils and 3rd in Write-it Do-it and Fermi Questions at the State Tournament. Overall team placed 1st and qualified for National Tournament.
  - Placed 15th in Disease Detectives at the National Tournament.