

## Congratulations to the JH Science Olympiad Team, Regional Alternates for State!?!

1<sup>st</sup> Dynamic Planet (Quincy Crone & Kierra de Jong) *state bound*

1<sup>st</sup> Heredity (Sam Coin & Ryelin Hulet) *state bound*

1<sup>st</sup> Solar System (Kierra de Jong & Gage Iddings) *state bound*

1<sup>st</sup> Write It/Do It (Quincy Crone & Jillian Plymell) *state bound*

2<sup>nd</sup> Anatomy & Physiology (Quincy Crone & Kierra de Jong)

2<sup>nd</sup> Battery Buggy (Landon Woodward & *support Gage Iddings*)

2<sup>nd</sup> Crime Busters (Sam Coin & Jillian Plymell)

2<sup>nd</sup> Disease Detectives (Kason Butler & Ryelin Hulet)

3<sup>rd</sup> Density Lab (Kelsey Crabtree & Landon Woodward)

3<sup>rd</sup> Fossils (Ryelin Hulet & Jillian Plymell)

3<sup>rd</sup> Road Scholar (Quincy Crone & Maesen Weller)

4<sup>th</sup> Boomilever (Kelsey Crabtree & *support Kierra de Jong*)

4<sup>th</sup> Circuit Lab (Landon Woodward & Daltyn Sperry)

4<sup>th</sup> Experimental Design (Ryelin Hulet, Gage Iddings, Daltyn Sperry)

4<sup>th</sup> Herpetology (Kelsey Crabtree & Kason Butler)

4<sup>th</sup> Meteorology (Jillian Plymell & Daltyn Sperry)

5<sup>th</sup> Game On (Ryelin Hulet & Gage Iddings)

5<sup>th</sup> Mystery Architecture (Sam Coin & Kelsey Crabtree)

5<sup>th</sup> Potions & Poisons (Kason Butler)

5<sup>th</sup> Water Quality (Kason Butler & Maesen Weller)

Six students, in four event qualifying teams, will be headed to the Junior High State Science Olympiad in Fulton, Missouri on April 27<sup>th</sup>. Additionally, for the third year in a row, the team itself placed as Regional Alternate, but once again due to their smaller than typical size with respect to student numbers, missed the ranking by a single point. Pattonsburg students gave a valiant effort however and succeeded in medaling in either first or second place in over a third of the competition's events. This is a younger team and was composed of only eleven students, less than half of whom had ever competed before. Many of the events were replaced, including four we had previously taken to state, or reimagined, so all of our team members found themselves studying new material. Landon Woodward built what is, as far as Mrs. Hulet knows, our school's first Battery Buggy, and earned an impressive second place medal for his efforts. Ryelin Hulet and Gage Iddings learned computer coding and competed there for our school's first time. Science Olympiad is a truly challenging activity where students are often tested, even at the junior high division, on college level material, often against schools significantly larger than ourselves. Our team did a great job and we are very proud of them. Team members are: (freshmen) Quincy Crone, Ryelin Hulet, Jillian Plymell; (eighth graders) Kason Butler, Sam Coin, Maesen Weller; (seventh graders) Kelsey Crabtree, Kierra de Jong, Gage Iddings, Daltyn Sperry, and Landon Woodward. This year will marks our three freshmen's third year of each making it to state, and our eighth grader Sam Coin's second. At the awards ceremony the event director made a special point in stating to the assembly that Jillian Plymell and Quincy Crone had done a regional first, and got an almost a perfect build for Write It/Do It, missing by a single off-set Lego piece. The six team members moving on to state are, Quincy Crone, Jillian Plymell, Ryelin Hulet, Sam Coin, Kierra de Jong, and Gage Iddings. They will be competing in Dynamic Planet, Heredity, Solar System, and Write It/Do It.