

Is That Your Final Answer?

Students Make it big on the Academic Team

Who is the father of Geometry? Most would not have known the answer to that question but the members of the academic team did. The academic team proved to be a very challenging organization to be a member of. The members took two 50 question tests, and the top ten scorers qualified to be on the team.

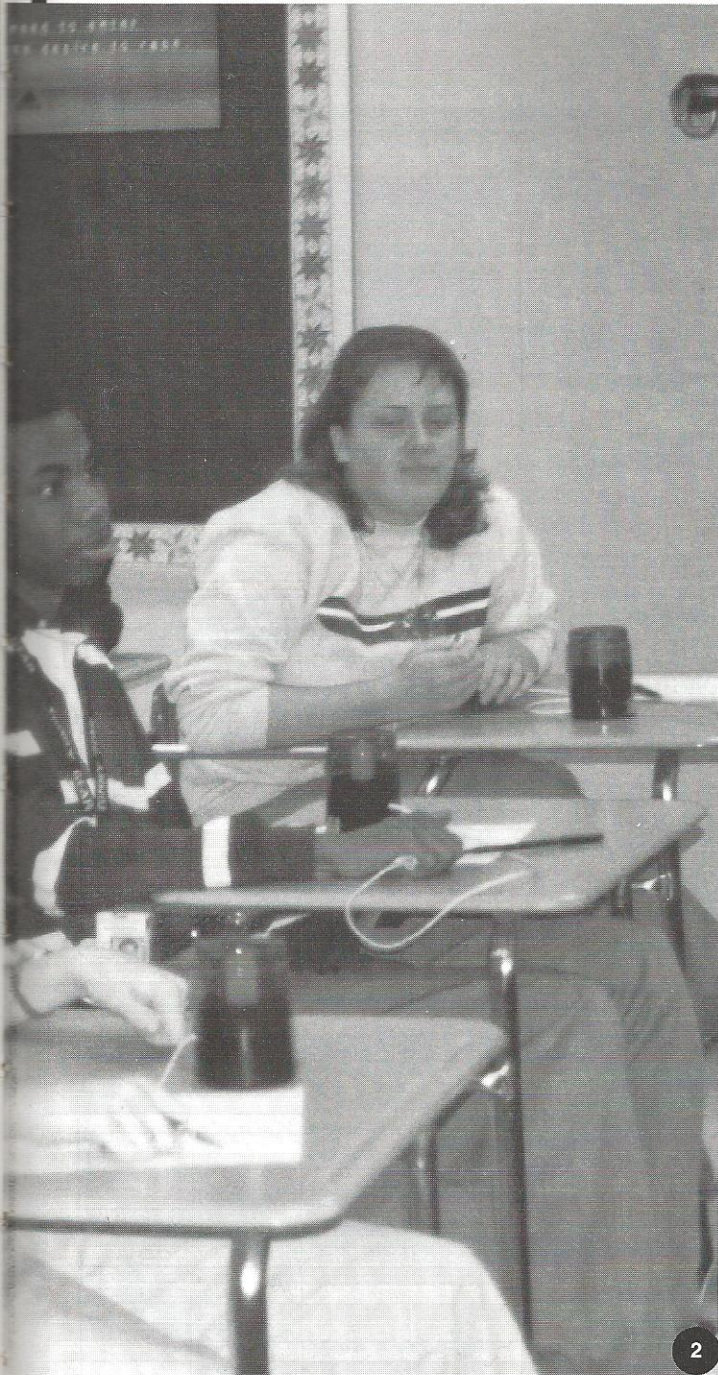
Every Thursday the academic team met in Mr. George Smith's room to prepare for the meets. "I think the questions at the meets are difficult, they aren't things you would talk about everyday," said junior Shantel Middleton.

The meets occurred once a month at different high schools. "Being on the academic team helps me to think quicker on a daily basis," said senior Lucas Nettles.

The academic team helped to place and better different skills in some members lives. "Being on the team has helped me to refine my leadership skills as captain that will be useful to me in the future," said junior Melanie Winningham.

Things that students learned by being on the academic team could have helped them do better on the SAT, get into a better college, or possibly win them a million dollars on Who Wants to be a Millionaire!

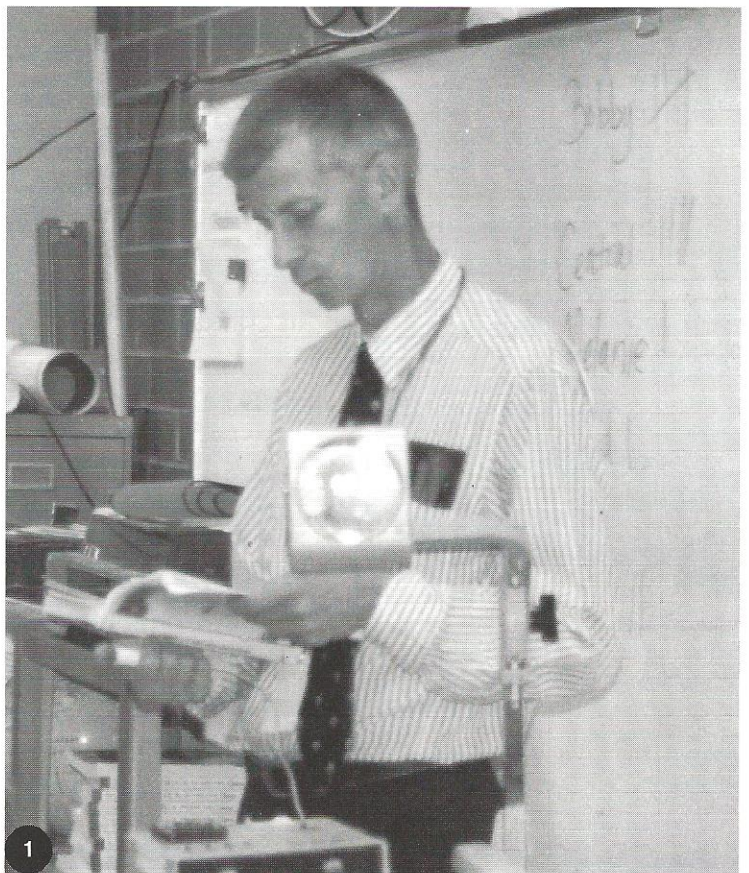
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1. Whistle While you Work! Leading the academic team, Mr. Smith asks trivia questions. In the class, he was seen with numerous books that had the questions and answers he asked the team. Mr. Smith was also a dedicated teacher and cross-country coach.

2. Buzzers Ready? Ready to answer, these students rack their brains for the answer. These were only a few of the excellent students on the academic team. Every week the members would meet in Mr. Smith's room for practice runs. The students competed against each other using the buzzers.



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