

## **U.S. Army to Host More Than 80 Students and Educators from Across the Nation at eCYBERMISSION National Showcase**

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BALTIMORE, MD., June 21, 2010 – In an effort to promote science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) education, the U.S. Army announced today that they will host the 2010 eCYBERMISSION National Judging and Educational Event (NJ&EE) from June 21 – 26 in Baltimore, Md. More than 100 students, educators and their families from across the United States will attend the event and watch as teams of three to four students compete for the honor of becoming a national first-place winning team.

Managed by the U.S. Army Research, Development and Engineering Command (RDECOM) at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md., the eCYBERMISSION program awarded more than \$800,000 to students from across the nation and in Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) schools overseas this year.

eCYBERMISSION is a free, web-based, STEM competition for students in grades six through nine. The competition encourages and rewards students from a diverse range of proficiency levels, interests and backgrounds. Since the program's inception in 2002, eCYBERMISSION has awarded more than \$7.6 million in U.S. EE Savings Bonds in support of the STEM leaders of tomorrow. The program allows students to compete for regional and national awards while working through the scientific method to solve problems in their communities.

The 16 first-place regional winning teams, comprised of three to four students, will travel to Baltimore, Md., to compete in the 2010 NJ&EE and vie for the honor of being named a national first-place winning team and the chance to win up to \$8,000 in U.S. EE Savings Bonds.

On June 24, eCYBERMISSION will host the 2010 National Showcase. Student teams will present their projects to a public audience from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. inside the Constellation Room at the Hyatt Regency Baltimore Hotel, located at 300 Light Street, Baltimore, Md. Team Advisors, students and eCYBERMISSION officials will be available for interviews and photos following the National Showcase.

The following list displays the schools that will be sending their first-place regional winning teams to the 2010 NJ&EE:

- All Saints Regional Catholic School, Manahawkin, N.J.
- Central Valley High School, Spokane Valley, Wash.

- Charlotte Latin School, Charlotte, N.C.
- Fern Ridge Middle School, Elmira, Ore.
- Lawton Chiles Middle Academy, Lakeland, Fla.
- Learning Without Limits, West Branch, Iowa
- Livingston Robotics Club, Livingston, N.J.
- Mirman School, Los Angeles, Calif.
- Moanalua High School, Honolulu, Hawaii
- Roslyn High School, Roslyn Heights, N.Y.
- Saint Dominic School, Brick, N.J.
- Science Rocks U, Whiteface, Texas
- Seminole Ridge High School, Loxahatchee, Fla.
- The Harker School, San Jose, Calif.

“We are extremely proud of these 16 regional winning teams for their creative and innovative use of outstanding research, experimentation and analysis during this year's eCYBERMISSION competition,” said Maj. Gen. Nick G. Justice, commanding general, RDECOM. “These 60 students were selected from thousands of their peers, not only for their potential as future leaders in STEM, but for their work to enhance and make a positive impact on the communities in which they live. NJ&EE is the culmination of the eCYBERMISSION event, and the students represent some of the brightest from across the nation.”

More than 71,000 students from across the country and in U.S. territories and DoDEA schools worldwide have participated in the competition since 2002. This year, 13,218 students registered for eCYBERMISSION and formed more than 3,300 teams.

For more information on the eCYBERMISSION program, the 2010 NJ&EE National Showcase or for a complete listing of the 2010 eCYBERMISSION winning teams, contact Rachael Lighty at 1-866-GO-CYBER (462-9237) or visit [www.ecybermission.com](http://www.ecybermission.com).

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applications of these subjects. Students compete for state and national awards by working in teams to identify a problem in their community and using scientific inquiry to propose a solution. eCYBERMISSION is an Army Educational Outreach Program ([www.usaeop.com](http://www.usaeop.com)).

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