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Campolindo team shines at state Academic Decathlon finals

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The entire Campolindo Academic Decathlon team.

Scholastic Division.

Ashley Zhang, Seventh Place, Highest Scoring Student by a School; Overall; Second Place (Silver) in the subject of Art, Honors Division.

Mikhail Vasilyev, First Place (Gold) in the Essay Competition, Scholastic Division; Second Place (Silver) in the subject of Social Science, Scholastic Division.

Athya Uthayakumar, First Place (Gold) in the subject of Science, Scholastic Division.

Bennett Coates, Second Place (Silver) in the subject of Science, Scholastic Division.

Verbanszky teaches AP psychology and government/economics, and has been Campolindo's Academic Decathlon coach since 2005. They have won the county's Academic Decathlon title for the past seven consecutive years. His Academic Decathlon is an after-school club with funding coming from donations and fundraising.

"It is a tremendous accomplishment to compete in the State Competition, says Verbanszky.

"I am very proud of my students."

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