

Texas Academic Decathlon USAD National Results

News 2019

TEXAS was well represented at the USAD National Finals,
In Bloomington, Minnesota, April 25-27, 2019



Texas' record highest-scoring team, Dulles High School, Fort Bend ISD, coached by Kelsey Halfen and Andrew Hartman, was the highest scoring public school (neither magnet nor charter) in the nation. The team was also the large school division silver medalist overall and in Super Quiz. Additionally, they took home the "Rookie of the Year" award for Division I.

Team members were Lana Haffar, Robert Yang, Sophie Yangyi, Olivia Jackson, Simon Sanchez-Paiva, Ethan Sollenberger, Ali Abie Nassif, Logan House, and Davis Varghese.

Individual Awards for Dulles students are as follows:

Lana Haffar – Overall 14th Honor

- Silver medals in Social Science and Art

Robert Yang – Overall 7th Honor

- Gold medals in Math and Literature
- Bronze medal in Social Science

Sophie Yangyi – Overall 8th Honor

- Gold medal in Art (1000 points)
- Silver medals in Economics and Social Science
- Bronze medals in Music and Literature

Olivia Jackson – Overall 6th Scholastic

- Bronze medals in Literature, Math, and Art

Simon Sanchez-Paiva – Overall 3rd Scholastic

- Gold medals in Music, Social Science, Literature, and Art
- Silver medals in Economics and Science
- Bronze medal in Math
- Bronze medal OVERALL Scholastic

Ethan Sollenberger – Overall 5th Scholastic

- Gold medal in Math
- Silver medal in Music
- Bronze medal in Essay

Ali Abi Nassif – Overall 9th Varsity

- Silver medal in Interview
- Bronze medal in Math

Logan House – Overall 6th Varsity

- Silver medal in Math
- Bronze medals in Music and Art

Davis Varghese – Overall 3rd Varsity

- Gold medals in Math and Math
- Silver medals in Economics, Science, and Social Science
- Bronze medal OVERALL Varsity

Congratulations Dulles Academic Decathlon!

DIVISION IV (division competition for OTHER THAN STATE WINNER) – Bandera



Bandera High School, Bandera ISD, coached by Dan Zavorka. The team was the Division IV silver medalist overall and in Super Quiz. Additionally, they took home the “Rookie of the Year” award for Division IV.

Team members were Carma Cloudt, Davis McMullan, Luke Bitzkie, Catherine Martin, Ethan Ellingson, Triniti Campbell, Ashley Abitz, Hannah Bates, and Scott Love.

Division IV Individual Awards for Bandera students are as follows:

Catherine Martin – Overall 10th Scholastic

- Bronze Medals in Music and Social Science

Ethan Ellingson – Overall 9th Scholastic

- Gold medal in Math
- Silver medal in Science
- Bronze medal in Literature

Ashley Abitz – Overall 1st Varsity

- Gold medals in Music, Social Science, and Essay
- Silver medal in Art
- Bronze medals in Literature and Science
- Gold medal OVERALL Varsity

Hannah Bates – Overall 6th Varsity

- Gold medal in Art
- Silver medal in Social Science

Scott Love – Overall 8th Varsity

- Bronze medal in Math

Congratulations Bandera Academic Decathlon!