The 19-th annual UAB MTS (Math Talent Search) Contest took place on campus on Saturday, October 29, 2022.

Students began arriving at the University Hall at 8:00 a.m. There were 84 students, grades 9, 10, 11, and 12, from 8 schools participating. With coaches and chaperons, we had a crowd of around 100 people. Students and guests were treated to cookies and cold drinks as they waited for the contest to begin.

At 9:00 a.m. students began the two hour test, and their teachers and chaperons enjoyed the hospitality room.

At 11:00, when the test was over, students and teachers were treated to pizza. The UAB math faculty and students began the challenging task of grading and judging the answers of the 84 students. The graders did an excellent job of determining winners. By 12:45pm the outcome of the contest was decided.

The Awards Ceremony began at 1pm. Various prizes were presented to winners. Schools who won the contest received trophies while the student winners received certificates and books about mathematics.

The following individual prizes for top scores were awarded:

9th grade Individual Winners
1st place: Alan Yvan (Hover)
2nd place: Sarah Thomas (Briarwood)
3rd place: Emory Causey (Briarwood)
4th place: Hampton Smith (Briarwood)

School Winners in the 9th grade
1st place - Hoover
2nd place - Briarwood

10th grade Individual Winners
1st place: Isabella Rutladge (Briarwood)
2nd place: Hill McCloney (Mountain Brook)
3rd place: Carmen Britt (Spain Park)
4th place: Reid Gill (JCIB)

School Winners in the 10th grade
1st place - Briarwood
2nd place - Mountain Brook
3rd place - Spain Park

11-12th grades Individual Winners
1st place: Tommy Daley (Mountain Brook, 12th grade)
2nd place: Vu Ho (Bob Jones, 12th grade)
3rd place: Mark Thomas (Briarwood, 12th grade)
4th place: Abbey Waters (Briarwood, 12th grade)

School Winners in the 11-12th grade
1st place - Briarwood
2nd place - Mountain Brook
3rd place - Bob Jones

Schools trophies were awarded based on the composite score of the three top scorers.

All in all, it was a full day of activities for student visitors and the UAB Math Department.

Our thanks to the sponsors of this event: Dean Thomas and our chairperson Dr Stanislavova (who encouraged us and helped us all along in our efforts to run the contest).

Our thanks also to all the students, members of our Department, and members of their families, who helped this year’s UAB MTS Contest succeed.

Until UAB MTS 2023,
Best wishes,
Alexander Blokh, Outreach Director